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Our Story So Far...

Wallace

The trainer who helped Ruby put things in perspective and clarify his priorities.

Winona

The leader of the Gym Leaders, who is trying to keep everything under control.

Wally

Ruby's young friend, who is currently receiving medical treatment for some health issues.

Norman

Ruby's father, the Gym Leader of Petalburg City.

Professor Birch

A Hoenn region Pokémon researcher.

Ruby

Sapphire

The Gym Leaders band together in an attempt to bring the rampage of the legendary Pokémon to a halt and to protect the citizenry from the resulting natural catastrophes in the Hoenn region. But in order to succeed, they must first defeat the people who are controlling these Legendary Pokémon. Then Ruby and Sapphire patch up their differences and, with the aid of Relicanth, head for the Seafloor Cavern to target the root of the problem...

The Gym Leaders of Mossdeep City Gym are defeated by Team Magma. The legendary Blue Orb and Red Orb, which once saved the world from destruction, have been stolen. Team Magma and Team Aqua, having temporarily joined forces, head to the Seafloor Cavern where they awaken Kyogre and Groudon.

Ruby and Sapphire are reunited at Fortree City but then part ways after a big quarrel. Meanwhile, Tate and Liza fail to protect the mysterious Orbs under their care...!

Archie

The leader of Team Aqua, who is convinced that his team has won. Have they?

Maxie

The leader of Team Magma, who has obtained both the Red Orb and the Blue Orb.

Gabby and Ty

These two journalists are in hot pursuit of the truth behind the news.

Pokémon Association President

The Executive Leader of the Hoenn Disaster Countermeasure Team

Wattson

Wattson, the eldest of the Gym Leaders, fights beside Flannery.

Flannery

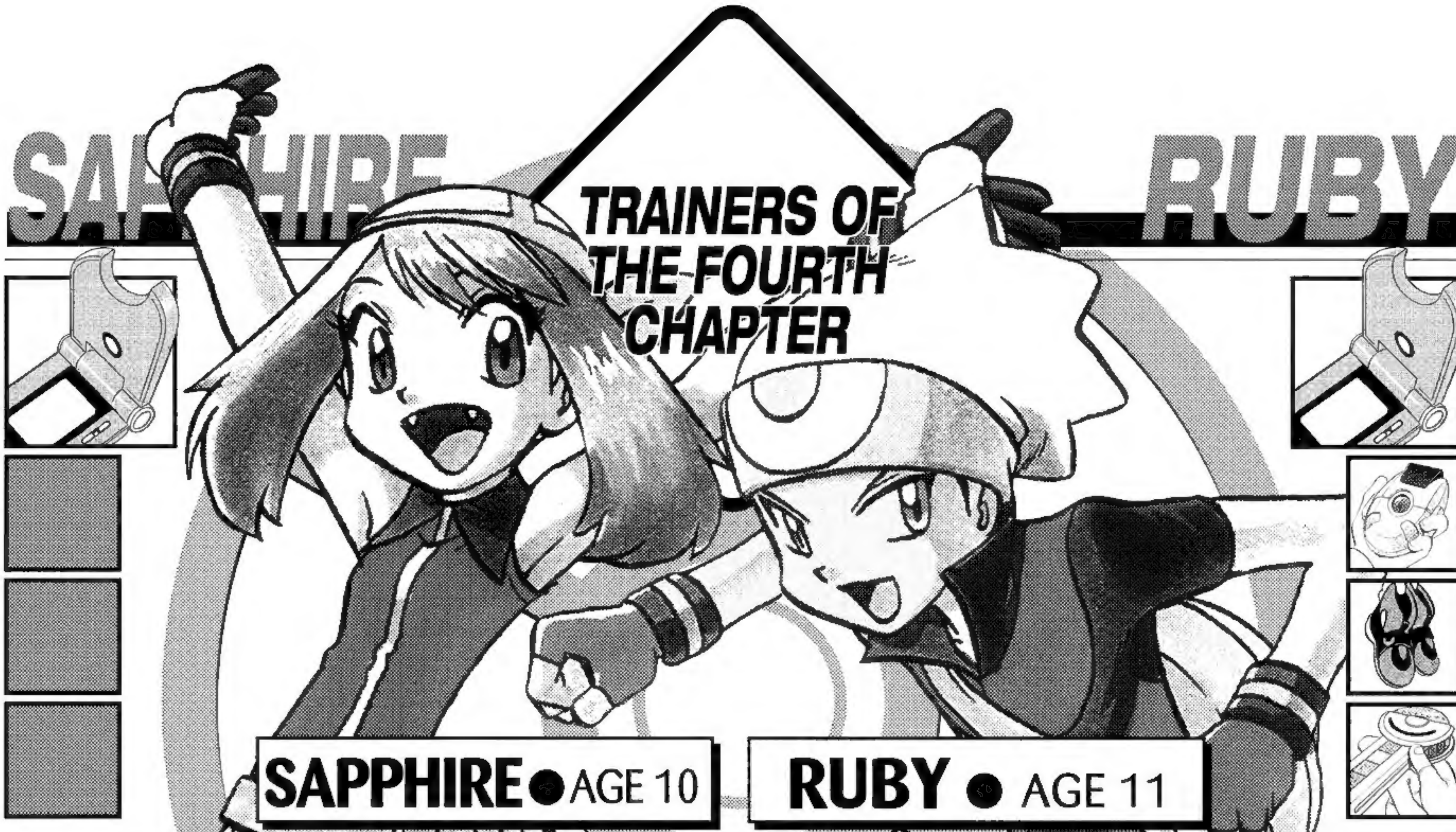
Flannery fights Kyogre at the Abandoned Ship.

Brawly

Brawly helps Roxanne fight Groudon.

Roxanne

Roxanne faces a great challenge as she battles Groudon near Fortree City.



TRAINERS OF THE FOURTH CHAPTER

SAPPHIRE ● AGE 10

A wild trainer whose dream is to challenge and defeat every single Gym Leader in the Hoenn region!!

CHIC BLAZIKEN ♀
Introverted. Uses fire-type moves.

RONO LAIRON ♂
Mischievous. Proud of its toughness. Its favorite move is Take Down.

LORRY WAILORD ♂
Bold. Sapphire rides the waves on Lorry's back.

PHADO DONPHAN ♂
Befriended by Sapphire at Mauville City. Hasty nature.

TROPPY TROPIUS ♂
Sapphire flies through the air on Troppy's back. This calm Pokémon usually stays outside its Poké Ball.

RELLY RELICANTH ♂
Has the power to take people with it to the very depths of the ocean. Hardy natured.

RUBY ● AGE 11

A trainer who wants to be the champion of all the Pokémon Contests. Visual beauty is a priority for Ruby. He has zero interest in Pokémon Battling. But does he secretly have a talent for it...?

MUMU SWAMPERT ♂
A Pokémon given to Ruby by Professor Birch. Easygoing. Represents Toughness.

NANA MIGHTYENA ♀
Intense. Represents Coolness.

KIKI DELCATTY ♀
Naive. Represents Cuteness.

FOFO CASTFORM ♀
Changes form in response to weather changes. Cautious.



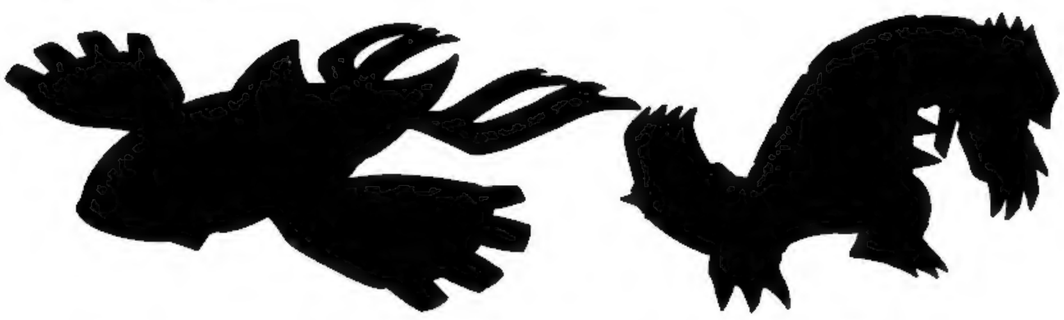
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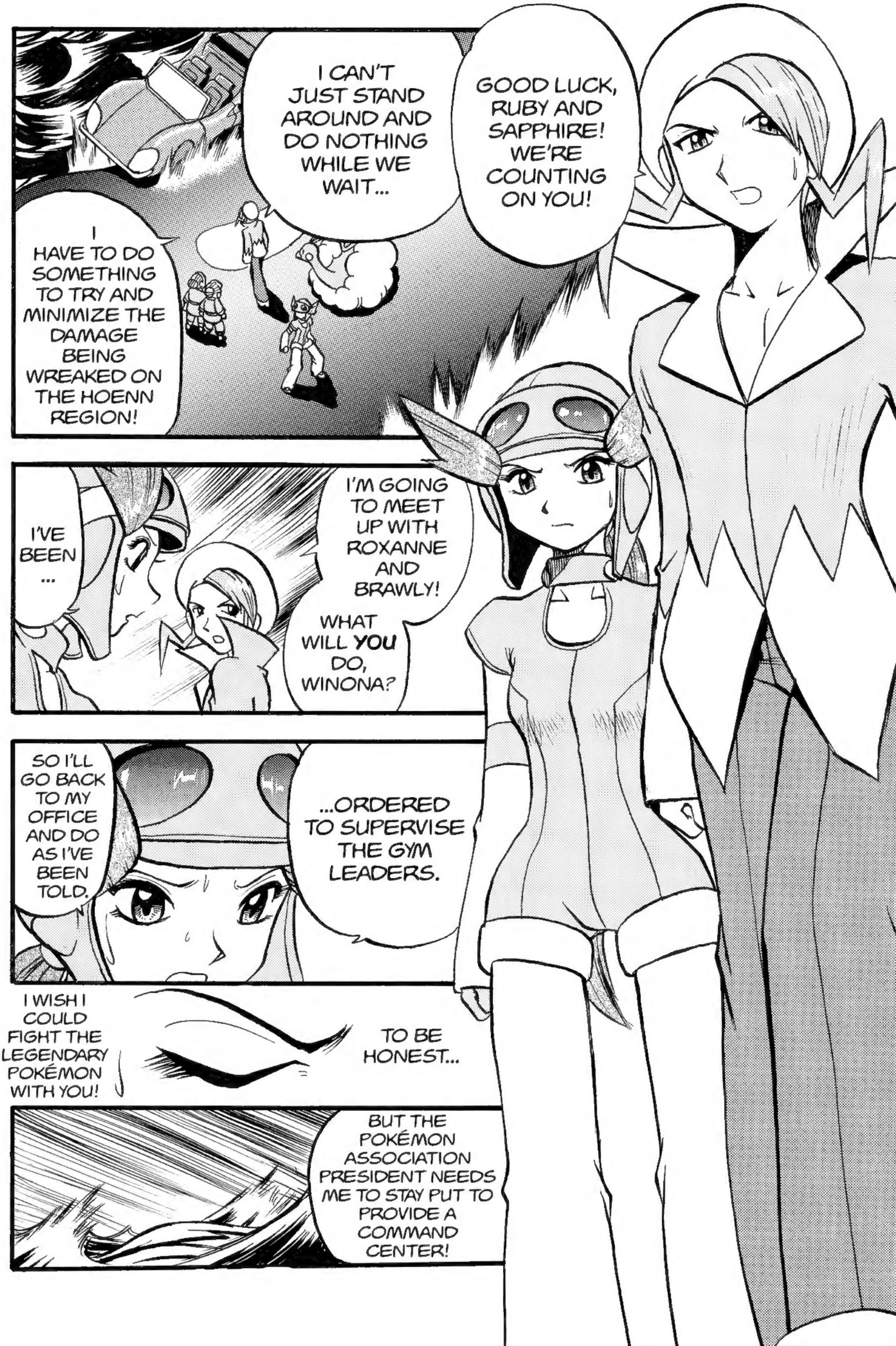
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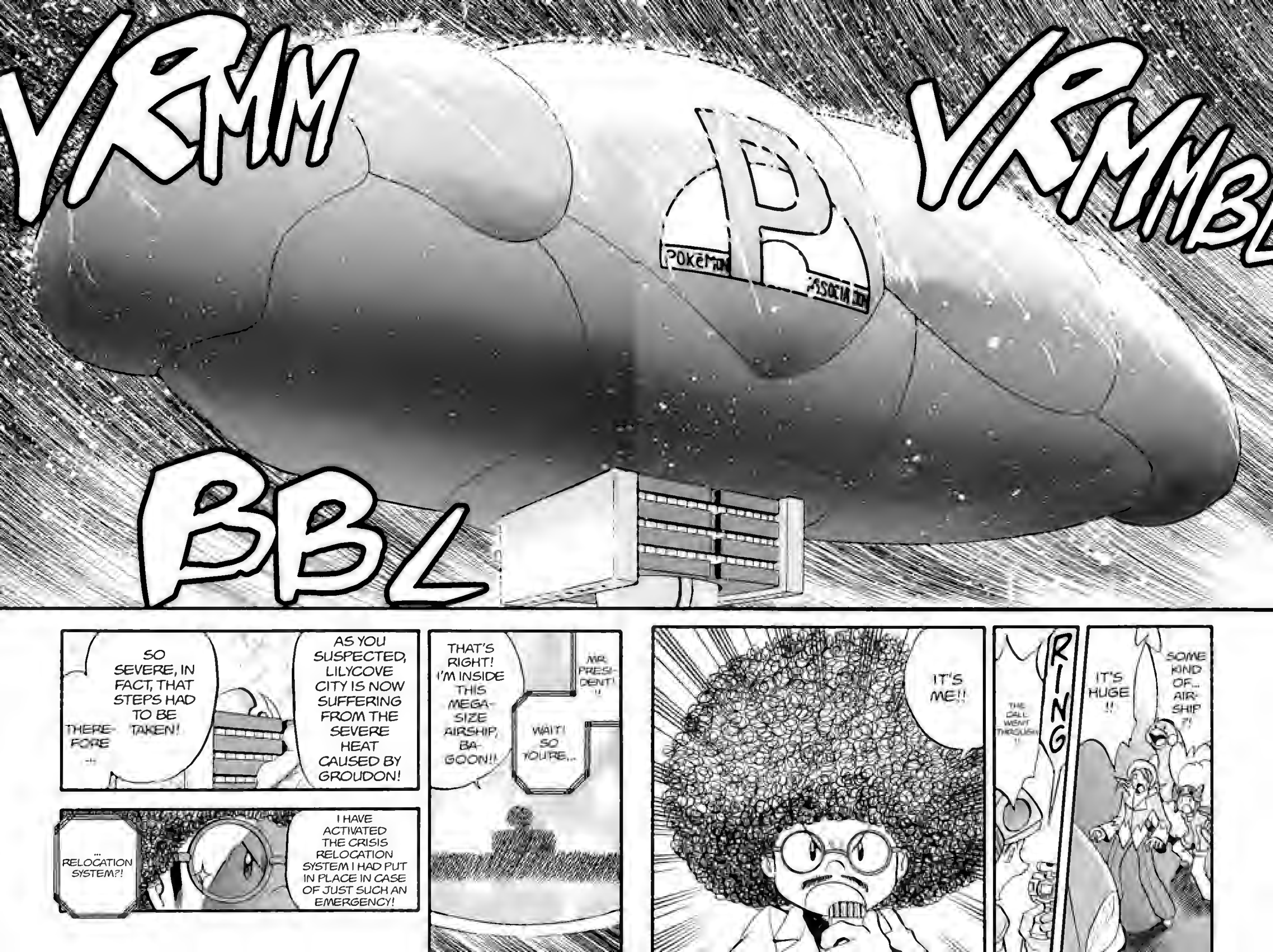
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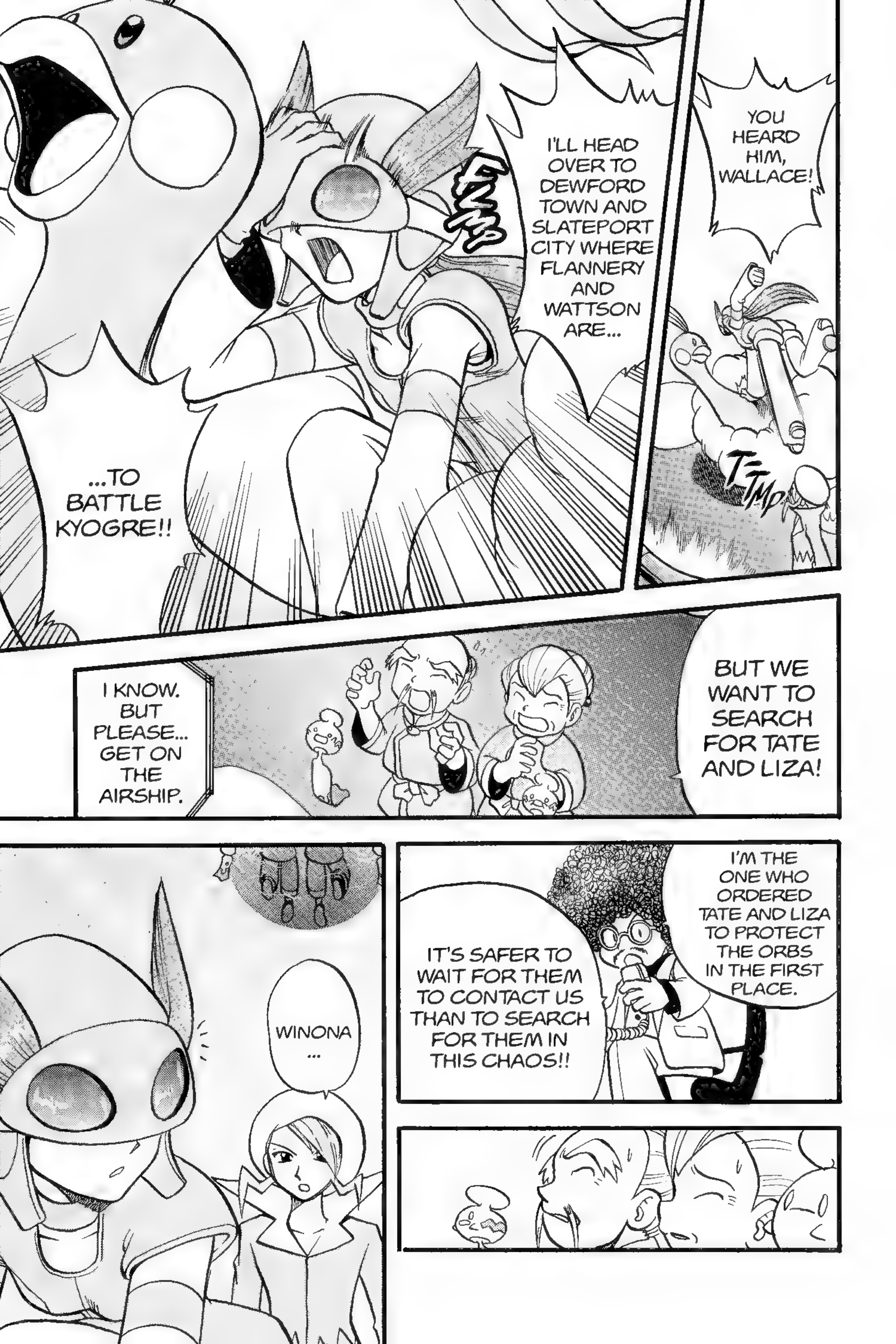

SPLASH
FOOSH


GOOD LUCK, RUBY AND SAPPHIRE! WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU!
I CAN'T JUST STAND AROUND AND DO NOTHING WHILE WE WAIT...
I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING TO TRY AND MINIMIZE THE DAMAGE BEING WREAKED ON THE HOENN REGION!
I'M GOING TO MEET UP WITH ROXANNE AND BRAWLY!
WHAT WILL **YOU** DO, WINONA?
I'VE BEEN...
...ORDERED TO SUPERVISE THE GYM LEADERS.
SO I'LL GO BACK TO MY OFFICE AND DO AS I'VE BEEN TOLD.
TO BE HONEST...
I WISH I COULD FIGHT THE LEGENDARY POKÉMON WITH YOU!
BUT THE POKÉMON ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT NEEDS ME TO STAY PUT TO PROVIDE A COMMAND CENTER!


AND SOMETHING TERRIBLE MIGHT HAVE BEFALLEN THE POKÉMON ASSOCIATION HEADQUARTERS!
THE HEAT WAVE IS ABOUT TO HIT LILYCOVE CITY!
HM? IS THIS CRAZY WEATHER CAUSING SOME KIND OF INTERFERENCE? I CAN'T GET THROUGH TO HIM...
CAN YOU HEAR ME? IT'S ME, WINONA!
RSSSP RSSSP
RSSP RSSP
DO YOU HEAR THAT? SOMETHING'S COMING!!
RMBL
RMBL
HUH?
WHAT'S WRONG, WALLACE?
RMBL
RMBL
RMBL
LOOK!
RMBL
THERE!
RMBL


VRMM
VRMMBL
BBL
POKéMON ASSOCIATION
SOME KIND OF... AIR-SHIP?!
IT'S HUGE!!
RING
THE CALL WENT THROUGH!!
IT'S ME!!
MR. PRESIDENT!!
WAIT! SO YOU'RE...
THAT'S RIGHT! I'M INSIDE THIS MEGA-SIZE AIRSHIP, BA-GOON!!
AS YOU SUSPECTED, LILYCOVE CITY IS NOW SUFFERING FROM THE SEVERE HEAT CAUSED BY GROUDON!
SO SEVERE, IN FACT, THAT STEPS HAD TO BE TAKEN!
THERE-FORE...
I HAVE ACTIVATED THE CRISIS RELOCATION SYSTEM I HAD PUT IN PLACE IN CASE OF JUST SUCH AN EMERGENCY!
...RELOCATION SYSTEM?!


THAT'S RIGHT! THIS AIRSHIP IS NOW THE TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS OF THE POKÉMON ASSOCIATION!!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND DEDICA-TION, WINONA.
I'LL TAKE OVER SUPERVISION OF THE GYM LEADERS FROM HERE ON OUT.
YOU MEAN... NOW...I CAN...?!
YES!! I WANT YOU TO GO!!
JOIN THE GYM LEADERS WHO ARE ALREADY FIGHTING! STOP THOSE ANCIENT POKÉMON FROM MOVING ANY FARTHER INTO OUR REGION!!
YES, SIR!!


YOU HEARD HIM, WALLACE!
I'LL HEAD OVER TO DEWFORD TOWN AND SLATEPORT CITY WHERE FLANNERY AND WATTSON ARE...
...TO BATTLE KYOGRE!!
T-TMP
BUT WE WANT TO SEARCH FOR TATE AND LIZA!
I KNOW. BUT PLEASE... GET ON THE AIRSHIP.
I'M THE ONE WHO ORDERED TATE AND LIZA TO PROTECT THE ORBS IN THE FIRST PLACE.
IT'S SAFER TO WAIT FOR THEM TO CONTACT US THAN TO SEARCH FOR THEM IN THIS CHAOS!!
WINONA ...




POKEMON
SPLASH
SSHUP
ZZ
Z Z Z Z
NOW THEN...
FFST
IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME.
EMERGENCY ANNOUNCE-MENT TO THE ENTIRE HOENN REGION! I REPEAT... EMERGENCY ANNOUNCE-MENT TO ALL OF HOENN...


EMERGENCY ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL TOWNS AND CITIES. CITIZENS OF HOENN, YOU MUST EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY—WITHOUT EXCEPTION!
OH!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS IS HAPPENING!!
THE HOENN REGION HAS BEEN TORN RIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE BETWEEN TWO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT NATURAL DISASTERS!!
DROUGHT
THERE'S THE DISASTER ON LAND CAUSED BY THE HEAT WAVE ON THE FORTREE CITY SIDE! AND THE DISASTER AT SEA CAUSED BY THE TIDAL WAVE ON THE SLATEPORT CITY SIDE!!
STORMS
AND THERE'S NO SIGN OF EITHER OF THEM LETTING UP...!

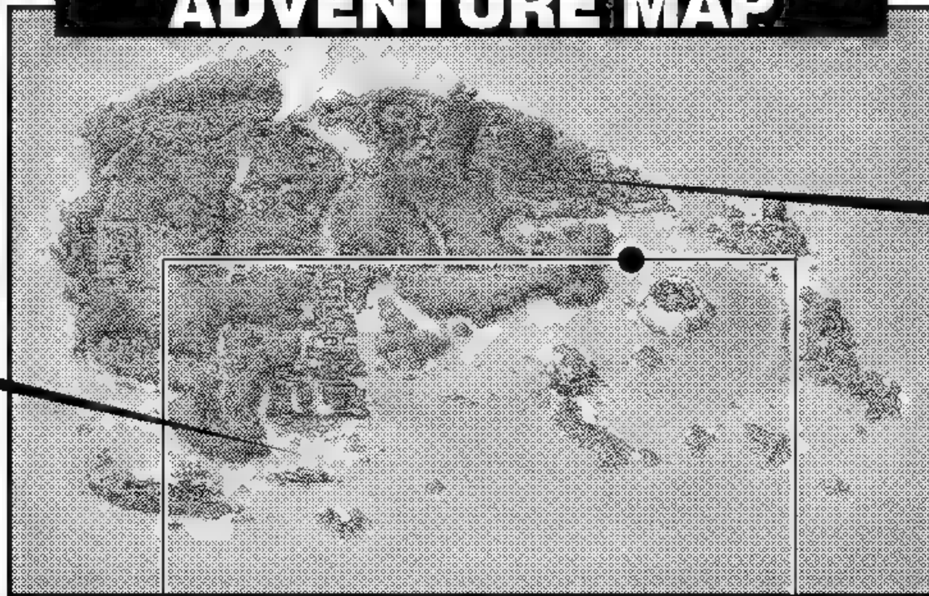

IT'S SUICIDAL TO GO OUTSIDE ON A DAY LIKE THIS!!
BUT ...
AS A MATTER OF FACT, THE TWO FRONTS ARE CLASHING AGAINST EACH OTHER, MAKING THE DAMAGE EVEN WORSE!!
PFSSS
GULP
THE TRAINER WHO'S REGISTERED AS THE THIRD POKÉDEX HOLDER.
THIS FELLOW.
SIGH... TREECKO! WHAT A DAY, HUH?
TODAY IS THE DAY I'M SUPPOSED TO MEET...
...THE POKÉMON TRAINER I HOPED TO ENTRUST YOU TO.



WHAT'S TAKING HIM SO LONG?! HE SAID HE'D COME NO MATTER WHAT– THAT'S WHY I'M STILL WAITING HERE, DESPITE THE CIRCUMSTANCES.
PFSSSS
BUT JUDGING FROM THAT ANNOUNCEMENT JUST NOW, TIDAL WAVES MIGHT HIT US AT ANY MOMENT!!
RMBL
HUH?
ROOSH
AHH! THE WAVES ARE COMING!!
KRASH
WHOA!!


MY BAG ...!!
TREECKO AND...
...THE POKÉDEX !!
GLUG GLUG GLUG
SPLASH

ADVENTURE MAP



SAPPHIRE

Name	Pokémon	Level
CHIC	Blaziken ♀	Lv40
RONO	Lairon ♂	Lv41
RELLY	Relicanth ♂	Lv47
PHADO	Donphan ♂	Lv48
TROPPY	Tropius ♂	Lv46
LORRY	Wailord ♂	Lv48

RUBY

Name	Pokémon
MUMU	Swampert ♂
NANA	Mightyena ♀
KIKI	Delcatty ♀
FOFO	Castform ♀

Fortree City

▼ Route 123 | ▼ Slateport City

▼

Route 126

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Stone Badge	Knuckle Badge	Dynamo Badge	Heat Badge
Balance Badge	Feather Badge	Mind Badge	Rain Badge

	Cool	Beauty	Cute	Smart	Tough
Normal					
Super					
Hyper					
Master					

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Talk About Timing, Treecko



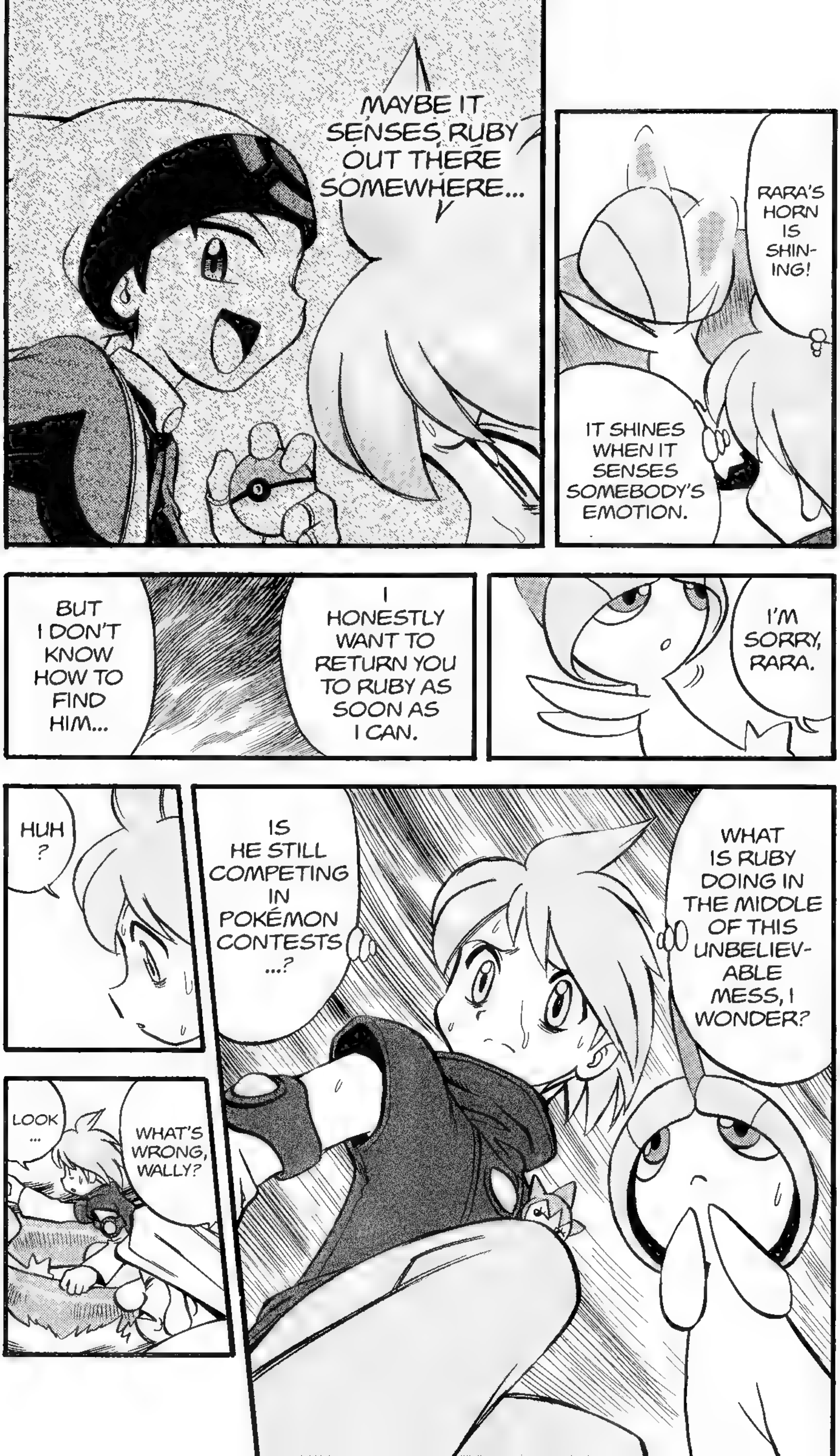

PHEW.
SMAK
ROLLROLLROLL
AAAAAH!!
HMM. AS ALWAYS, I WASN'T ABLE TO FIND...
... MIRAGE ISLAND.
KOFF
KOFF
YOU PROMISED ME...
YOU SAID YOU'D EVACUATE IF YOU COULDN'T FIND MIRAGE ISLAND BY TODAY...
AFTER ALL, PACIFIDLOG TOWN FLOATS ON THE SEA. ALL THE OTHER RESIDENTS HAVE EVACUATED TO A SAFE PLACE UNDER ORDERS FROM THE POKÉMON ASSOCIATION!
SWAY
WHAT A PITY... OOPS!!

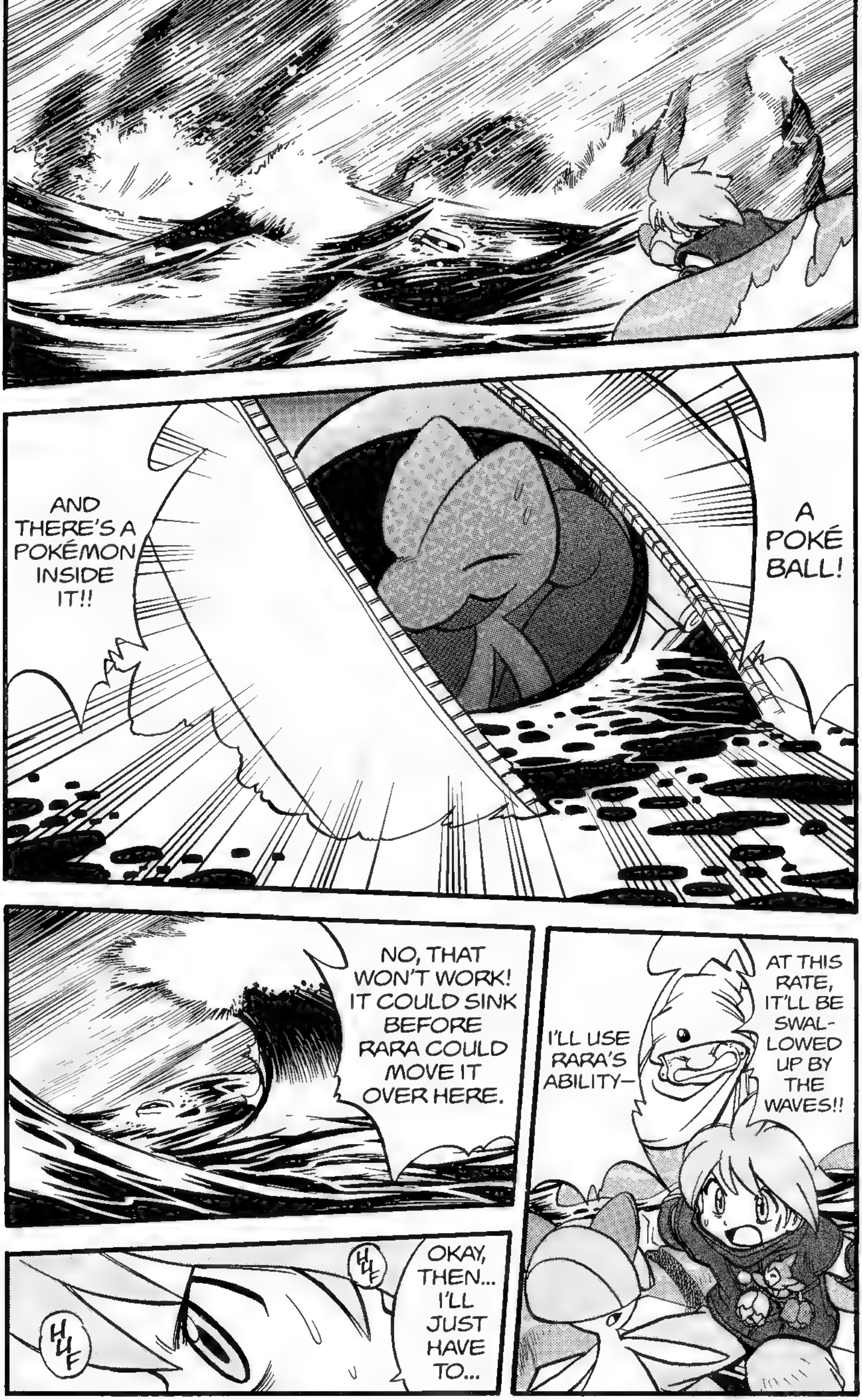

WHOA!!
TRIP
AAAH!!
GRAB HIM!!
TOSS
AIYEEEEE!!
YOINK
WOM
FWPPT
SNAP


THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR SAVING ME...
PHEW
...WALLY!!
KOFF
NO PROBLEM!
NOW LET'S HEAD TO THE SHELTER RIGHT AWAY, OKAY?!
HUF
HUF


OH!
TAKE US IN THE DIRECTION OF ROUTE 132, RARA!
TOSS
C'MON, LET'S GO!!
SPLASH


I NEVER EXPECTED IT TO BE A TOWN FLOATING ON THE SEA!
WHEN I MET YOU AT THE HOSPITAL IN VERDANTURF TOWN AND YOU SAID YOU'D SHOW ME A BETTER PLACE FOR MY HEALTH...
WHEN I LEFT PETALBURG CITY, I NEVER DREAMED I'D END UP IN THE MIDDLE OF A CATASTROPHE LIKE THIS.
HMM ?!
KOFF
HA HA HA! ARE YOU ANGRY WITH ME?
NAH. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I'M GLAD YOU INVITED ME.
IF NOT FOR YOU, I NEVER WOULD HAVE MET MY NEW FRIENDS ...
... CACTURNE AND ROSELIA.
RIGHT, RARA? KECLEON?
HEY ...!

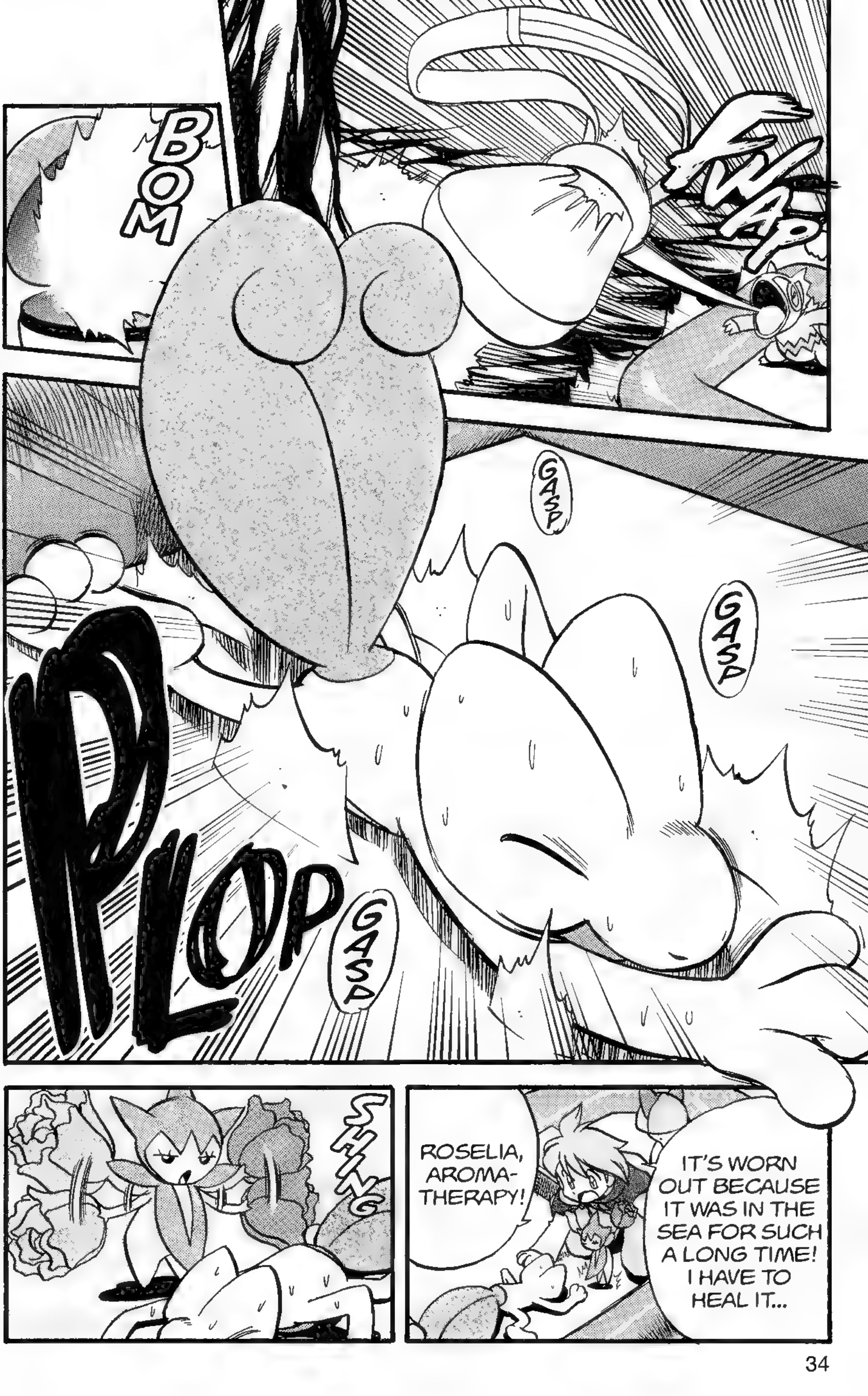

MAYBE IT SENSES RUBY OUT THERE SOMEWHERE...
RARA'S HORN IS SHINING!
IT SHINES WHEN IT SENSES SOMEBODY'S EMOTION.
I HONESTLY WANT TO RETURN YOU TO RUBY AS SOON AS I CAN.
BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW TO FIND HIM...
I'M SORRY, RARA.
WHAT IS RUBY DOING IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS UNBELIEVABLE MESS, I WONDER?
IS HE STILL COMPETING IN POKÉMON CONTESTS...?
HUH?
WHAT'S WRONG, WALLY?
LOOK...


A POKÉ BALL!
AND THERE'S A POKÉMON INSIDE IT!!
AT THIS RATE, IT'LL BE SWAL-LOWED UP BY THE WAVES!!
I'LL USE RARA'S ABILITY—
NO, THAT WON'T WORK! IT COULD SINK BEFORE RARA COULD MOVE IT OVER HERE.
OKAY, THEN... I'LL JUST HAVE TO...
HUF
HUF


CACTURNE!!
NOW!!
SPLASH
SHNK
NEEDLE ARM!!
FFFT FFFT



FFFT
FFFT
THNK
IT'S ALL RIGHT ...
PHEW
LET ME GET YOU DOWN.
YOU'RE SAFE NOW!


WHAP
BOM
GASP
GASP
PLOP
GASP
IT'S WORN OUT BECAUSE IT WAS IN THE SEA FOR SUCH A LONG TIME! I HAVE TO HEAL IT...
ROSELIA, AROMA-THERAPY!
SHING


ITS BREATH HAS STARTED TO STABILIZE. LET'S LET IT SLEEP.
ROSELIA, GRASS-WHISTLE.
ZZZZZ
KLAP KLAP KLAP KLAP
HMM! NOT BAD. NOT BAD AT ALL.
WHOOOSH
THAT WAS AN IMPRESSIVE USE OF YOUR POKÉMON.
FLAP
BUT I HAVE ONE QUESTION...
FLAP
TMP
WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO USE NEEDLE ARM...?


ANSWER ME!
THAT'S A VERY POWERFUL AND DANGEROUS MOVE.
LUCKILY, YOU MANAGED TO ONLY HIT THE BAG. BUT WHAT IF IT HAD HIT THE POKÉ BALL?
IF THAT HAD HAPPENED, YOU WOULD HAVE WOUNDED IT INSTEAD OF HELPING IT.
SO WHY DID YOU USE IT?
ARE YOU... CRUEL? CONFIDENT? CLEVER?
WHO ARE YOU?!
HUF
HUF
WOM WOM
RARA!
YOU'RE SHINING BRIGHTLY! IS HE SOMEONE YOU KNOW?


HOW DID YOU MAKE THE DECISION TO USE NEEDLE ARM?!
UM...
H-U-F
H-U-F
TELL ME!!
I TRUSTED THAT CACTURNE... MY CACTURNE WOULD BE ABLE TO HIT THAT BAG WITHOUT HARMING THE POKÉ BALL.
I MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO DO MUCH MYSELF, BUT I TRUST MY POKÉMON TO DO ANYTHING!
I TRUST MY POKÉMON!!
YOU'RE ...
YOU'VE CHANGED, WALLY.
TMP
JUMP
...


...NORMAN!!
LONG TIME NO SEE. THE LAST TIME WAS AT PETALBURG CITY.


I NOTICED IT WASN'T ON RUBY'S TEAM... I WAS WONDERING WHERE IT WENT! BUT I NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD BE WITH YOU, WALLY.
THIS RALTS... IT'S RARA!
GRAB
BOING
BOING
BOING
...
KOFF
SO THIS IS FATE TOO...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?!
WEREN'T YOU LISTENING TO ME? JUST WHAT I SAID.
YOU LOOK GOOD TOO, OLD MAN.
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, NOR-MAN!
OH!
LIKE YOU PREDICTED, I GOT TO SEE WALLY'S HIDDEN TRUE TALENT WITH MY OWN EYES.



BUT WE CAN'T HAVE A DECENT CONVERSATION ON THE SEA.
LET'S MOVE TO A PLACE SUITED FOR YOUR TRAINING.
!!
MY... TRAINING ?!
WHAT TRAINING?!
YOUR TRAINING AS A POKÉMON TRAINER, OF COURSE.
UNDER MY SUPERVISION.
YOU ASKED ME TO TRAIN YOU BACK AT PETALBURG CITY, DIDN'T YOU?
I WAS UNABLE TO ACCEPT BACK THEN. BUT NOW I CAN.
LET ME FULFILL THIS WISH OF YOURS NOW...
...THAT I WAS UNABLE TO BEFORE!!

Chapter 241
Dreadful Dealing with Dusclops




LET ME FULFILL THIS WISH OF YOURS NOW...
...TO TRAIN UNDER ME AND BECOME A POKÉMON TRAINER!!
MY WISH ...
...TO TRAIN UNDER YOU...
...AND TO BECOME A POKÉMON TRAINER?
YOU SHOULD GO WITH HIM, WALLY.
IT'S WHAT YOUR POKÉ-MON WANT, AS WELL.
...
OKAY!

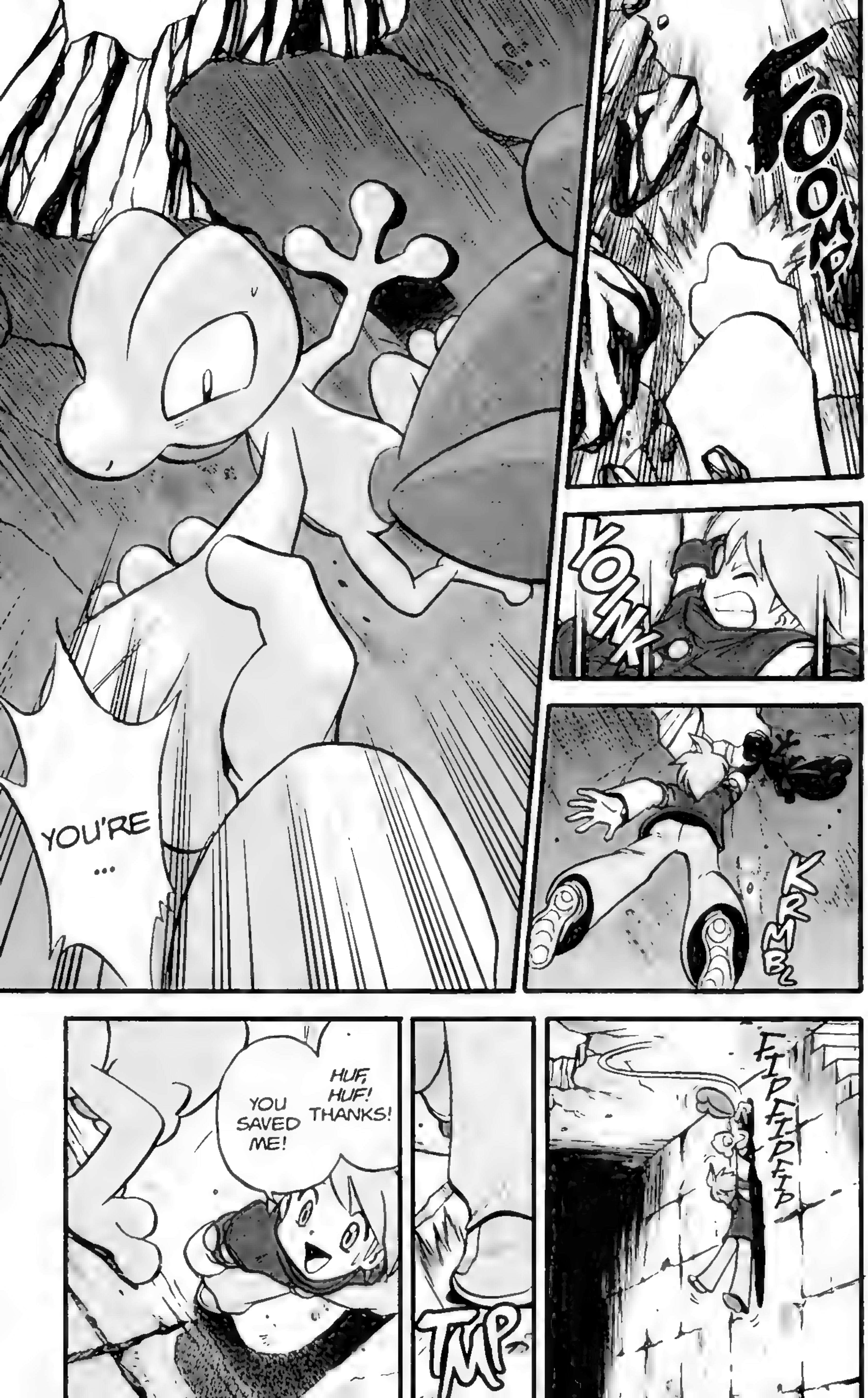

FWOOSH
UM... SO WHERE ARE WE GOING?
ALL OF HOENN IS IN CHAOS BECAUSE OF THESE NATURAL DISASTERS THAT ARE OCCURRING. I CAN'T THINK OF ANY PLACE TO TRAIN...
OUR DESTINATION IS NEARBY.
YOU CAN ALREADY SEE IT FROM HERE.
WOOSH
THE SKY PILLAR!!
WOW!!


WHOOSH
A MASSIVE TOWER...THAT EXTENDS ABOVE THE CLOUDS AND SOARS INTO THE HEAVENS...
IT'S SO TALL ...
IT REALLY DOES LOOKS LIKE A PILLAR THAT'S HOLDING UP THE SKY... TRUE TO ITS NAME!!
SO THIS IS WHERE I'LL BE TRAIN-ING...
WOW!
NOR-MAN ?!
HURRY UP.
YOUR FIRST TRAINING SESSION HAS ALREADY BEGUN.

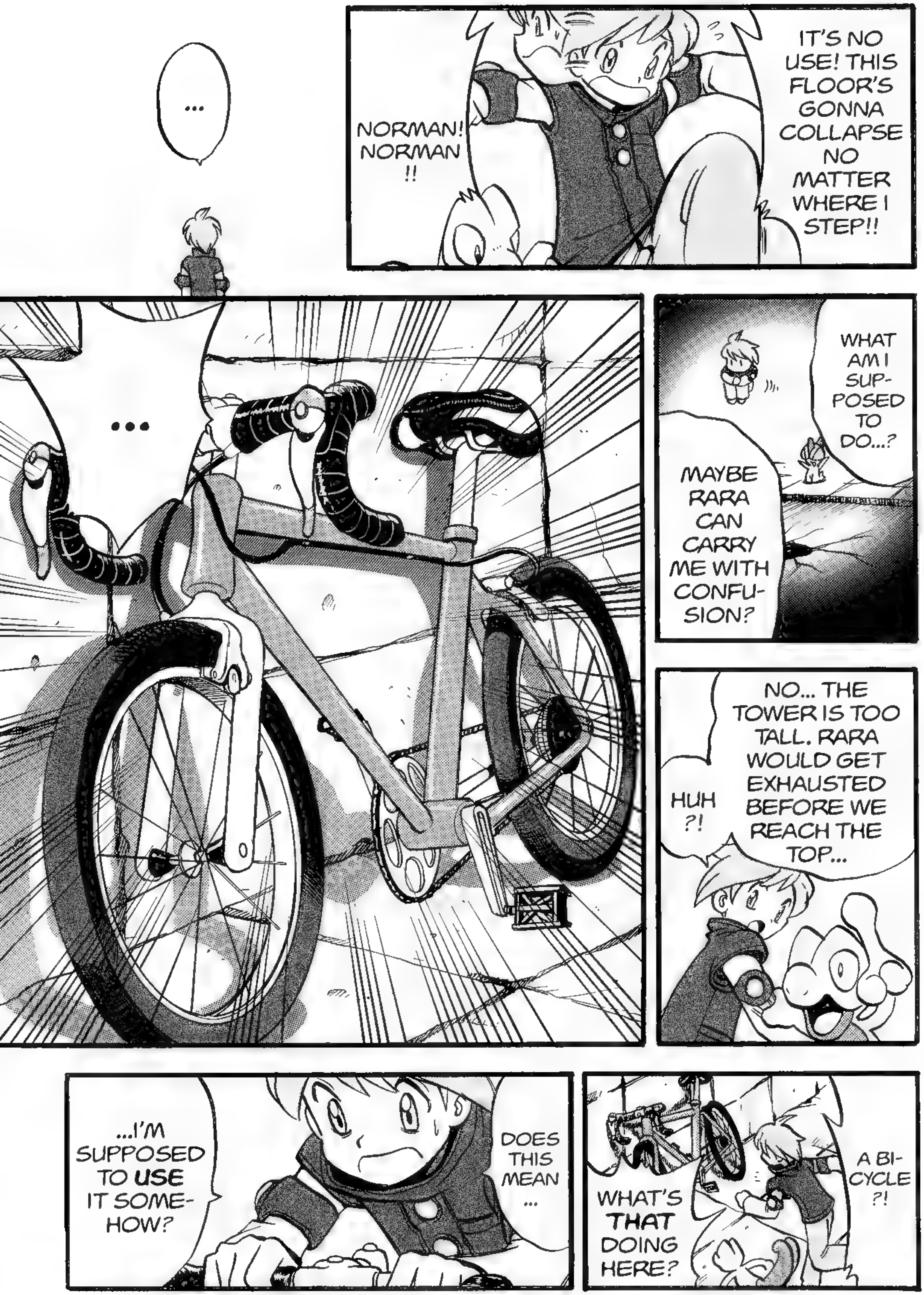

...
ALL RIGHT!!
KLK
HUFF
HUFF
ATTACH THESE TO YOUR ARMS.
THEN PLACE YOUR POKÉ BALLS IN THE WRIST HOLDERS.
I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU ON THE TOP FLOOR.
HUH?!
BUT WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO?!
SIMPLE.
JUST CLIMB UP THIS TOWER.
THAT'S ALL.

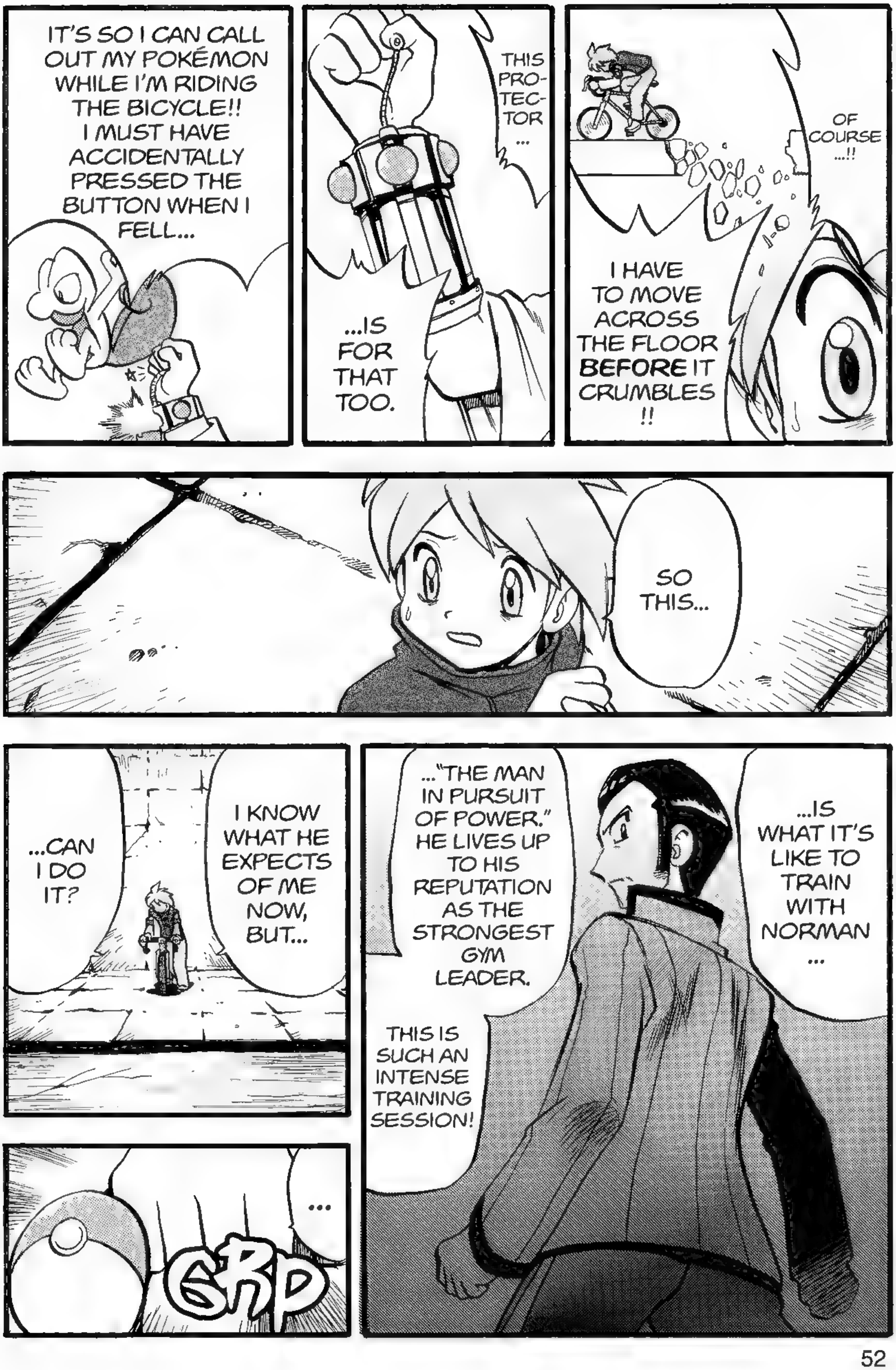


I'M SUPPOSED TO CLIMB UP THIS TOWER?
HOW TALL IS IT EXACTLY?
THAT YOU'LL HAVE TO FIND OUT FOR YOUR-SELF.
ZOOOP
GULP
KLP
KLP
THE SECOND FLOOR...
KRAK
AAH !!
ASH
KRCK


FOOMP
YOINK
KRMBL
YOU'RE ...
FIPFIPFIP
TMP
HUF, HUF! THANKS!
YOU SAVED ME!


I JUST TOOK ONE STEP...
...AND THE FLOOR GAVE WAY UNDER ME!
YOU CAN CLING ONTO THE WALL AND MOVE DIRECTLY UP IT, HUH?
HUF
HUF
HUF
OKAY... I'LL TRY IT AGAIN...
DASH
WHOA !!
KRCK
SO I'LL JUST AVOID THE CRACKS AND...
SHFF
IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY, YOU CAN SEE THE FLOOR IS CRACKED EVERY-WHERE...
IT'S SO OLD IT'S BOUND TO CRUMBLE THE MOMENT I PUT ANY WEIGHT ON IT.


NORMAN! NORMAN!!
IT'S NO USE! THIS FLOOR'S GONNA COLLAPSE NO MATTER WHERE I STEP!!
...
WHAT AM I SUP-POSED TO DO...?
MAYBE RARA CAN CARRY ME WITH CONFU-SION?
NO... THE TOWER IS TOO TALL. RARA WOULD GET EXHAUSTED BEFORE WE REACH THE TOP...
HUH?!
...
A BI-CYCLE?!
WHAT'S THAT DOING HERE?
DOES THIS MEAN...
...I'M SUPPOSED TO USE IT SOME-HOW?


IT'S SO I CAN CALL OUT MY POKÉMON WHILE I'M RIDING THE BICYCLE!! I MUST HAVE ACCIDENTALLY PRESSED THE BUTTON WHEN I FELL...
THIS PROTECTOR...
...IS FOR THAT TOO.
OF COURSE...!!
I HAVE TO MOVE ACROSS THE FLOOR BEFORE IT CRUMBLES!!
SO THIS...
...IS WHAT IT'S LIKE TO TRAIN WITH NORMAN...
..."THE MAN IN PURSUIT OF POWER." HE LIVES UP TO HIS REPUTATION AS THE STRONGEST GYM LEADER.
THIS IS SUCH AN INTENSE TRAINING SESSION!
I KNOW WHAT HE EXPECTS OF ME NOW, BUT...
...CAN I DO IT?
...
GRP


YES!!
I HAVE TO!!
I'M THE ONE WHO ASKED HIM TO TRAIN ME IN THE FIRST PLACE.
HE TURNED ME DOWN ONCE, BUT NOW... WHAT MORE COULD I ASK FOR...?!
OKAY!
ZLOOP
LET'S GO!!
PEDDL
PEDDL


WOOOSH
WILL WALLY BE ABLE TO PEDDLE HIS WAY TO THE TOP...?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! HE HAS TO SUCCEED!!
NOR-MAN!
THE SKY PILLAR IS FIFTY STORIES HIGH.
HE HAS TO BE STRONG ENOUGH TO CLIMB THIS TOWER— OR THERE'S NO POINT.
WHAT WE'RE AIMING FOR IS FAR GREATER THAN THAT, YOU KNOW.
I WANT YOU TO GET IN CONTACT WITH SCOTT AS SOON AS YOU CAN!
ALL RIGHT.
P, Q, R, S...
SCOTT...
◂SCOTT


FWIP FWIP
KRMBL KRMBL
ZIP
SMASH
FPP
FPP


AND THE HIGHER I GO, THE MORE WILD POKÉMON THERE ARE...
HUF, HUF... I'M RIDING THE BIKE AT TOP SPEED... BUT I CAN BARELY MAKE IT ACROSS.
SKREECH
PFFST
KLK
I'VE FINALLY MADE IT TO THE FIFTEENTH FLOOR... HOW HIGH IS THIS TOWER ANYWAY?!
URGH... KOFF KOFF KOFF!
I'M FINE.
AND I DON'T HAVE TIME TO REST.
MMMMMMMM
THANKS, RARA. I FEEL BETTER NOW. LET'S KEEP GOING.
I HAVE TO CLIMB UP THIS TOWER... AS FAST AS I CAN...
PFFF
KLK


20TH FLOOR
30TH FLOOR
40TH FLOOR
FORTY ...
... NINE.
HUF
HUF
HUF
HUF
HUF
HUF
HUF
?
WH-WHAT'S WITH THIS FLOOR ...?
IT LOOKS DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS...
THNK THNK THNK
!!


ROOOAARR
RMBLRMBL
!!
ZOOO
AAAH ...!!


OH! I HAVE AN IDEA! THAT LITTLE DEVICE I FOUND INSIDE THAT BAG...
RUBY WAS USING ONE! IT GATHERS INFORMATION ON THE POKÉMON YOU MEET!
BLIP
WHAT KIND OF POKÉMON IS THIS?!
I'M BEING DRAGGED OVER TO IT!!
DUSCLOPS! IT'S A BLACK HOLE THAT WILL ABSORB ANYTHING!!
AREA
SIZE
CANCEL
№149 Dusclops
Beckon Pokemon
Height: 5'03"
Weight: 67.5 lbs.
Dusclops's body is completely hollow—there is nothing at all inside. It is said that its body is like a black hole. This Pokémon will absorb anything into its body, but nothing will ever come back out.
ZOOOKK
THE BICYCLE!!
ZOOOKK
WHOA!!
I HAVE TO HOLD ON SO I DON'T GET SUCKED IN TOO!!
I...
SKID


GRRR... WHAT DO I DO NOW?!
NO! I DON'T HAVE ANY TIME TO WASTE HERE! I HAVE TO...
...CLIMB UP TO THE TOP OF THIS TOWER!
SHOO
HUH ?
HEY, YOU! ARE YOU TRYING TO GET OUT OF YOUR POKÉ BALL?!
BUT YOU'LL GET SUCKED IN!!
WAIT... YOU WANT ME TO... LOOK AT THIS DEVICE ?
I GET IT!! IF I USE THIS POKÉ-MON'S MOVE, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO...
...GET PAST THAT BLACK HOLE!!

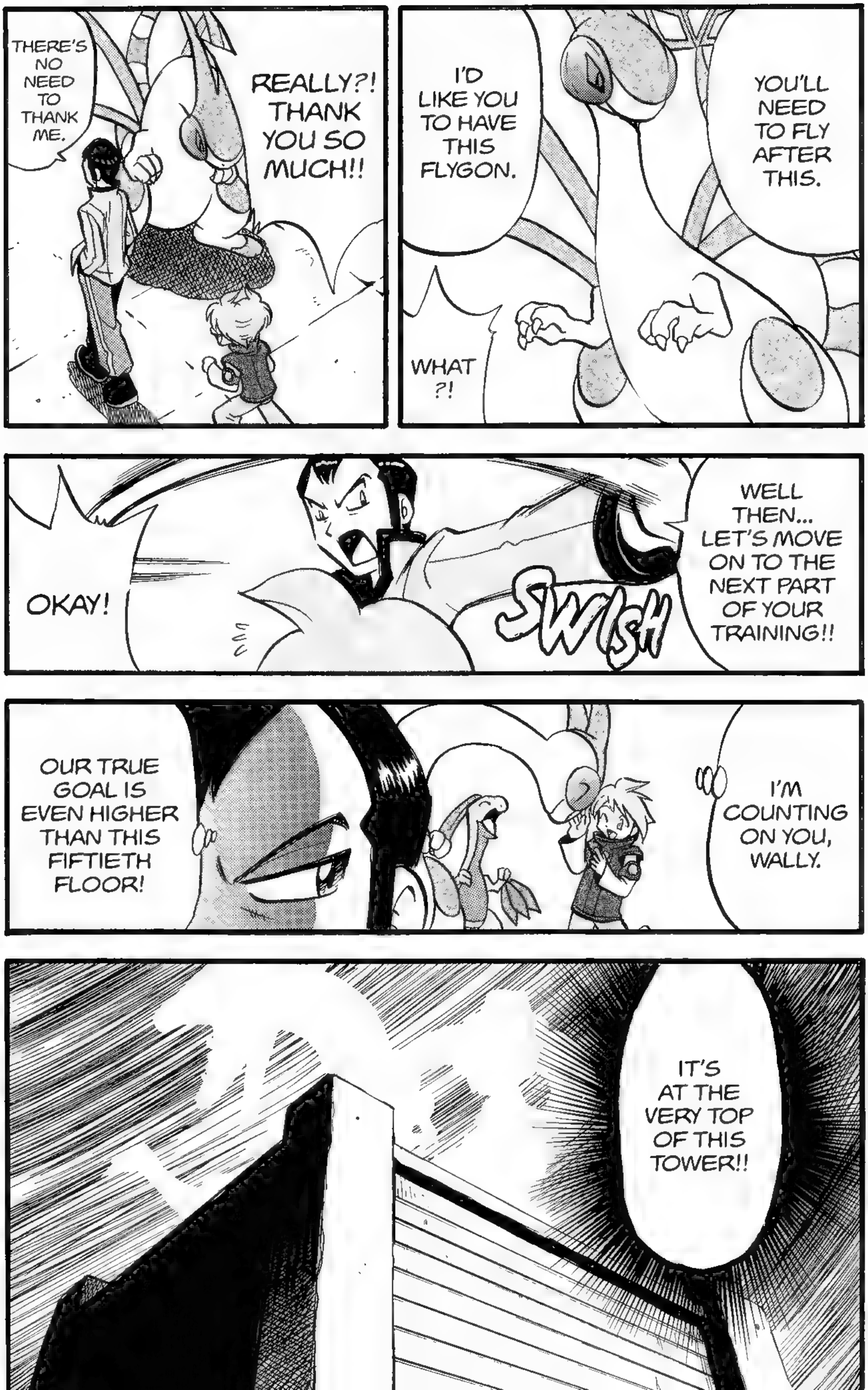

OKAY, YOU'RE NOT A MEMBER OF MY TEAM AND WE'VE NEVER FOUGHT TOGETHER BEFORE, BUT...
PFFST
KLK
I TRUST YOUR JUDG-MENT!
LET'S JUMP INTO THAT BLACK HOLE TO-GETHER!!
LEND ME YOUR POWER... JUST THIS ONCE!!
PP
WOMWOMWOM


LEAF
BLADE
!!
SLASH
GUSH


SLASH
WE DID IT...
KATHUNK
WBBBL
SO THAT'S YOUR NEW FORM.
THANK YOU! YOU SAVED ME!!
!!
HUF
HUF
I'M SO GLAD WE MADE IT...


THE FIFTIETH FLOOR...
HUF
HUF
AND IT LOOKS LIKE THERE AREN'T ANY MORE FLOORS ABOVE THIS.
HUF
I'VE MADE IT...TO THE TOP...
HUF
FWUMP
NOR-MAN ...
BLIP
ZZT... ZZZT... ZZZT... ZZT... SEARCHING... SEARCHING... ZZT...
YOU USED GROVYLE'S LEAF BLADE TO CREATE A VACUUM BLADE...
...THAT COULD BREAK THROUGH DUSCLOPS'S BLACK HOLE.
NORMAN!


...KAY.
TAKE OFF YOUR RESPI- RATION MASK...
O- O...
YES, I DID. I HAVE THIS MACHINE THAT GATHERS INFORMATION ABOUT POKÉMON ...
...SO I USED IT TO FIND OUT WHAT GROVYLE'S MOVES WERE AND THEN I DECIDED TO GIVE IT A CHANCE.
THIS IS A VERY TALL TOWER, SO THE AIR IS QUITE THIN AND CLEAR UP HERE.
YOUR TRAINING HAS STRENGTH- ENED YOUR LUNGS.
OH! I CAN BREATHE A LITTLE BETTER...
COME TO THINK OF IT...
...THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER DEFEATED A WILD POKÉMON!
YOU'RE GETTING STRONGER, YOU KNOW.
HEH...


THERE'S NO NEED TO THANK ME.
REALLY?! THANK YOU SO MUCH!!
I'D LIKE YOU TO HAVE THIS FLYGON.
YOU'LL NEED TO FLY AFTER THIS.
WHAT?!
WELL THEN... LET'S MOVE ON TO THE NEXT PART OF YOUR TRAINING!!
SWISH
OKAY!
OUR TRUE GOAL IS EVEN HIGHER THAN THIS FIFTIETH FLOOR!
I'M COUNTING ON YOU, WALLY.
IT'S AT THE VERY TOP OF THIS TOWER!!


THE CRISIS IN THE HOENN REGION GROWS EVER GREATER DUE TO THE CLASH BETWEEN THE SCORCHING HEAT AND THE DELUGE OF RAIN...
HE TOO...
...WILL BE INVOLVED IN AN EPIC BATTLE—JUST LIKE RUBY AND SAPPHIRE.
AND SO, WALLY HAS TAKEN A NEW STEP...
AND NOW, THE IMPORTANT MISSION THAT HE AND HIS POKÉMON MUST CARRY OUT IS ABOUT TO BE REVEALED...!!

Chapter 242

Very Vexing Volbeat




RMBL RMBL RM BL
SEA-FLOOR CAVERN ...
WHAT DOES THIS MEAN, AMBER?
STRANGE ...
I DON'T KNOW.
...FOR SOME REASON... KYOGRE HAS ONLY BEEN SWIMMING IN THE VICINITY OF ROUTE 108!!
ON THE OTHER HAND, GROUDON'S HEAT WAVE IS GRADUALLY SPREADING EVERY-WHERE!!
WE STOPPED THE VOLCANO TO SUPPRESS THE POWER OF THE LAND, AND WE INCREASED THE POWER OF THE SEA...
WE AWAKENED KYOGRE MORE THAN HALF A DAY BEFORE GROUDON...
BUT...



THE ONLY THING I CAN THINK OF...
...IS THAT TEAM MAGMA IS TO BLAME!! MAXIE MUST HAVE DONE SOMETHING!!
HOW DARE HE...!!
GROUDON IS MUCH MORE ACTIVE!!
AMBER! YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, DON'T YOU?!
YESSIR! I'LL DEAL WITH IT RIGHT AWAY!!
RMBL RMBL
HUF. HUF. HUF.


HUUUURGH!!
HURRRGH!!
WHOA ...
HA HA HA HA! AMAZ-ING!!
EXACTLY! I CAN CON-TROL **BOTH** POKÉMON WITH THESE TWO ORBS!
POOR ARCHIE ...
I'LL KEEP KYOGRE IN ONE SPOT AND LET GROUDON MOVE AROUND WHEREVER IT WANTS TO!!
WE'RE THE ONES WHO ARE GOING TO WIN THIS THING!!



FUMP
BOSS!!
HEY, BOSS!!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
HUF HUF... TABITHA...
THIS IS FAR MORE STRENUOUS THAN I THOUGHT...
SENDING ORDERS TO TWO POKÉMON AT ONCE...
I'M LOSING MY MIND... MUST KEEP MY CONCENTRATION...
TABITHA...
HOW WOULD **YOU** LIKE TO BE IN CHARGE OF CONTROLLING KYOGRE?
SURE! LEAVE IT TO ME!!
GRAB
THE ORBS SEEM TO REPEL EACH OTHER'S ENERGY WHEN THEY'RE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY.
GOTCHA!! I'LL SEND THE ORDERS FROM SOMEWHERE ELSE!!


...
...♬
KYOGRE! I'M GONNA... TIE YOU DOWN!!
THIS SPOT SHOULD DO.
HUH?! THIS IS TAIL GLOW !!
TING
TING


YAWWWNN
SOME-THING'S HERE!!
TORKOAL, YAWN!!
YAWN
I MADE IT FALL ASLEEP!! NOW COME OUT, COME OUT, WHEREVER YOU ARE!!
FWUMP
ZZZ...
AN ORB THAT CAN CONTROL GROUDON AND KYOGRE...
KRNCH
I HAD NO IDEA SUCH A THING EXISTED.
I HATE TO ADMIT IT, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE WE SHOULD HAVE DONE MORE RESEARCH ...


HMPH.
IT'S USELESS.
YOU!! OKAY, TORKOAL... USE YAWN AGAIN...
YOU USED TORMENT TO PREVENT IT FROM USING YAWN AGAIN, DIDN'T YOU?!
YOU'RE A TEAM AQUA ADMIN, AREN'T YOU? WHAT'S YOUR NAME?!
WHY SHOULD I TELL YOU?!
ATTACK THEM, VOLBEAT!!
PYEW
WHOA!!
PYEW PYEW PYEW
SIGNAL BEAM!!


RMBL
ARGH!!
FSSST
WHY, YOU! GET A LOAD OF MY HEAT WAVE!!
GRAB
NOW'S MY CHANCE ...
HUF HUF. YOU CAN ALL BURN, FOR ALL I CARE!
DID YOU IMAGINE YOU'D BE SAFE INSIDE THIS SUB-MARINE?


YOU LEFT YOUR POKÉMON OUTSIDE AND CAME AFTER ME?!
UR... RRGH... ARE YOU INSANE?!
FSSST
ACK ...
THAT'S OKAY... I'M JUST HERE TO...
FOOSH
MY TORKOAL IS READY TO ATTACK YOU AT ANY MOMENT, YOU KNOW!
WHAT GOOD WILL IT DO YOU TO TRY AND STOP ME?
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH !!
...STEAL THE BLUE ORB...
SQWEEK
...FROM YOU!!


SHING
WHAT?
WHAT JUST HAPPENED?! THAT WASN'T AN ATTACK!!
HUH?!
THE BLUE ORB GOT SWITCHED OUT WITH A FIGY BERRY!!
AHAHA HAHA!! I DID IT, BOSS!!
NUTS!
LUNGE
WHOA!
FWUMP
YOU ...!


I USED TRICK, A MOVE THAT SWITCHES THE ITEM MY POKÉMON IS HOLDING WITH THE ONE MY OPPONENT'S POKÉMON IS HOLDING...
I GOT THE ORB JUST LIKE YOU ORDERED ME TO!!
PLMP
SO THIS IS THE BLUE ORB...
AND THIS BEAUTIFUL GLOW HAS THE POWER TO CONTROL KYOGRE...
JINK
SPIN SPIN
LET GO OF ME!!
BOSS! CAN YOU HELP ME OUT HERE LIKE YOU PROMISED?!
I CAN'T KEEP AHOLD OF THIS GUY ON MY OWN...!


BUBBL
BUBBL
BUBBL
BUBBL
HAVE A NICE TRIP! ENJOY YOUR DEEP SEA TOUR!
BUT YOU'LL NOTICE ...
AUTOMATIC PILO
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK, AMBER.
...THAT I'VE TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF REMOVING THE SPECIAL CORE.
AHA HAHA HAHA!
NOW MAXIE AND I ARE ON EQUAL TERMS!!
I'M AFRAID THE SUBMARINE MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO WITHSTAND THE PRESSURE AT THIS DEPTH ANYMORE. I GUESS YOU'LL FIND OUT...
KLK


AND WE CAN FINALLY SETTLE THE QUESTION OF WHICH ONE IS STRONGER, KYOGRE OR GROUDON...
...WITHOUT ANYBODY INTERFERING!!
KREEK
KREEK



ADVENTURE MAP



SAPPHIRE

- CHIC — Blaziken ♀ — Lv40
- RONO — Lairon ♂ — Lv41
- RELLY — Relicanth ♂ — Lv47
- PHADO — Donphan ♂ — Lv48
- TROPPY — Tropius ♂ — Lv46
- LORRY — Wailord ♂ — Lv48

RUBY

- MUMU — Swampert ♂
- NANA — Mightyena ♀
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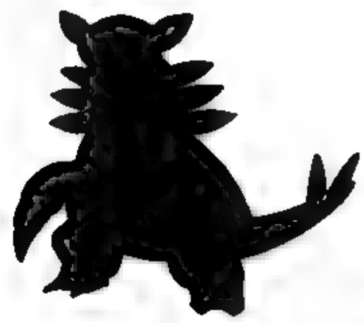
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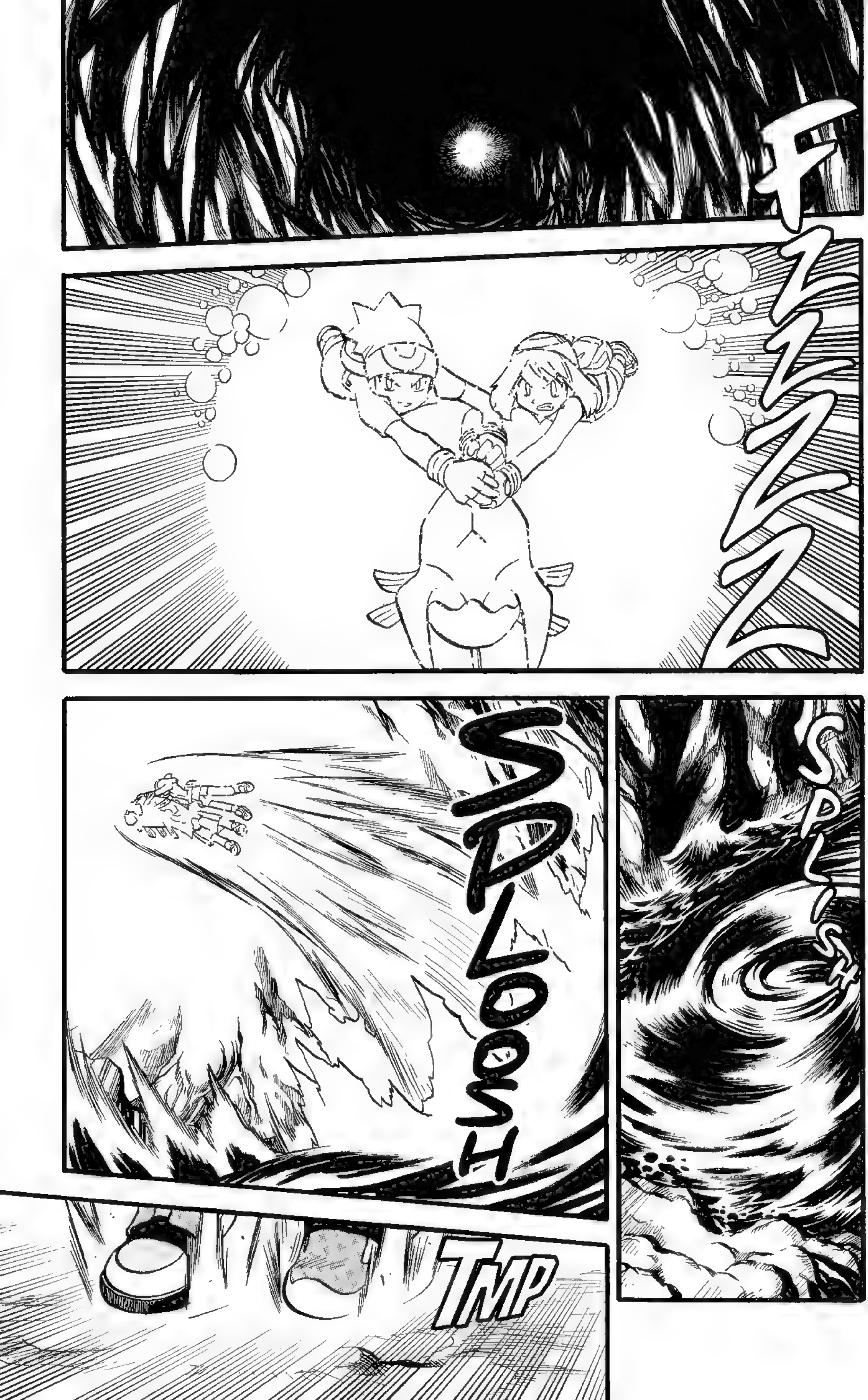
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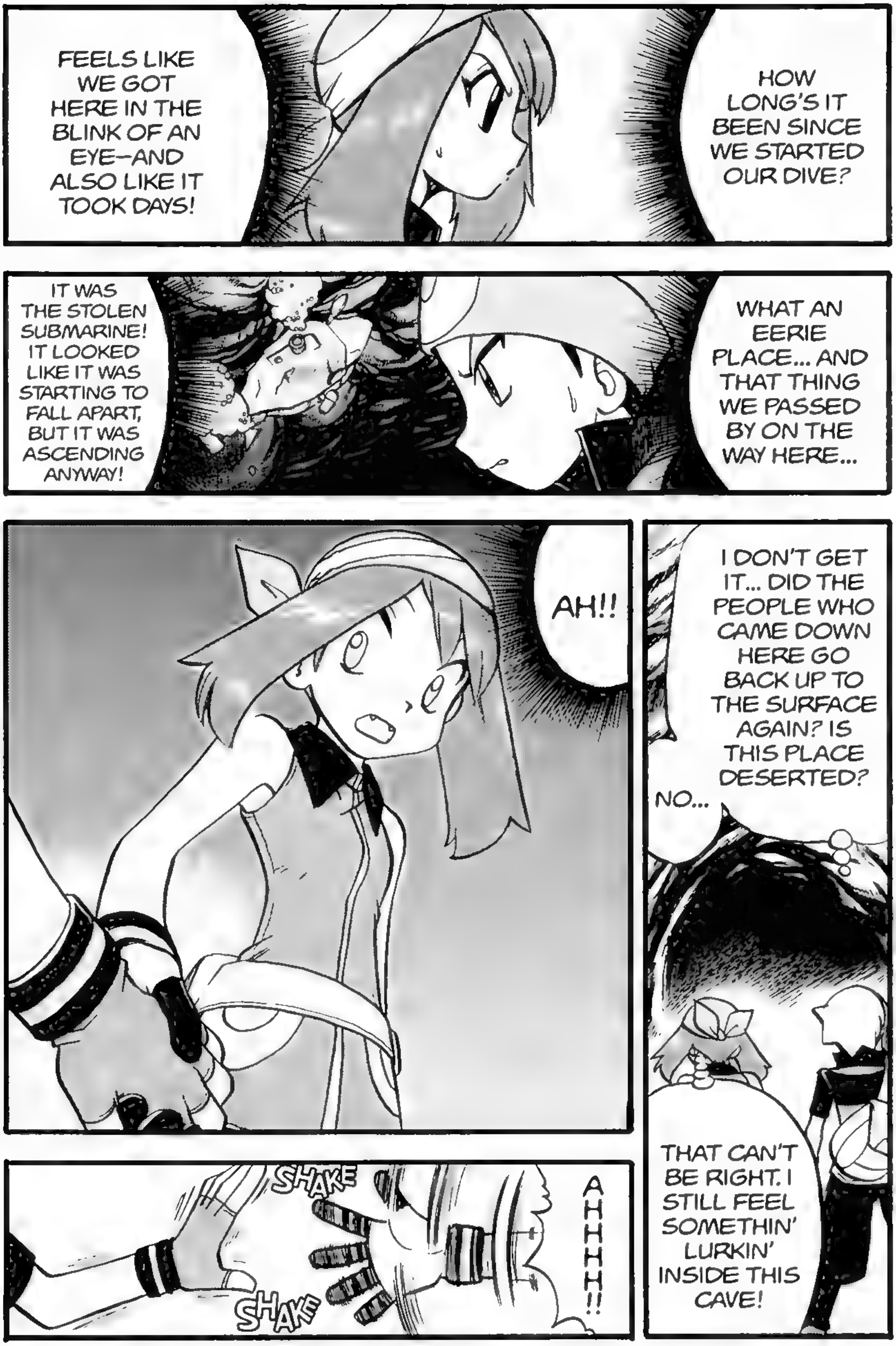
Chapter 243

No Armaldo Is an Island




SPLOOSH
SPLISH
TMP


HUF HUF... WE'RE HERE...
THE DEEPEST LOCATION IN THE SEAS OF HOENN...
...THE SEAFLOOR CAVERN!!


FEELS LIKE WE GOT HERE IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE—AND ALSO LIKE IT TOOK DAYS!
HOW LONG'S IT BEEN SINCE WE STARTED OUR DIVE?
IT WAS THE STOLEN SUBMARINE! IT LOOKED LIKE IT WAS STARTING TO FALL APART, BUT IT WAS ASCENDING ANYWAY!
WHAT AN EERIE PLACE... AND THAT THING WE PASSED BY ON THE WAY HERE...
AH!!
I DON'T GET IT... DID THE PEOPLE WHO CAME DOWN HERE GO BACK UP TO THE SURFACE AGAIN? IS THIS PLACE DESERTED?
NO...
THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT. I STILL FEEL SOMETHIN' LURKIN' INSIDE THIS CAVE!
SHAKE
SHAKE
AHHHH!!


I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN WHATCHA DID, YA KNOW!!
AND, YEAH, I KNOW WE ONLY GOT TO COME HERE BECAUSE OF THE INFORMATION YOU GOT ABOUT RELLY!
BUT THAT DON'T MEAN I TRUST YA!!
DON'T THINK I'M GONNA FIGHT TOGETHER WITH YA AS A TEAM!
HMPH
THIS CAVE SPLITS INTO TWO OVER THERE...
I'LL GO LEFT! YOU GO RIGHT!!
PERFECT!
IT WOULD BE JUST LIKE BEFORE IF WE SEPARATED!!
YOU HAVE TO STAY CLOSE TO ME!!
TUG
YANK
DRAG
HEY!! WHAT'RE YA DOIN'?!


NANA HAS AN ADAMANT NATURE.
ONCE IT'S MADE UP ITS MIND, YOU CAN'T BUDGE IT.
NANA MUST HAVE SENSED SOME-THING.
IT'S TELLING YOU NOT TO GO. IT WANTS YOU TO STAY HERE.
KRNCH
YOU'VE SENSED SOME-THING, HAVEN'T YOU?!
OKAY, NANA... ODOR SLEUTH!!
RUSH
RMBL RMBL
GRRR.
GRRR.


FWIP
FWIP
FWIP
BOMBOMBOM
KRNCH


KROCK
I AM, I AM!!
KEEP AHOLD OF THAT SO THE SEA WATER DOESN'T POUR IN!!
THE SUBMARINE IS STARTING TO FALL APART!!
KRÉEK
GLUG GLUG GLUG !!
FSSST
FSSST
NO WAY AM I GONNA PERISH DOWN HERE!!
WE'RE ALMOST THERE...!! ALMOST TO THE SURFACE...!!
TORKOAL!! I NEED YOU TO BLAST OUT MORE HELIUM!!


BUBBL BUBBL
URGH.
GRAB


FLAP FLAP
BWWA BWWA
BOOM
BEEP
KERSPLASH
BUBBL


WELL, ISN'T THIS A SURPRISE. I PICK UP AN SOS, AND LOOK WHAT I FIND...
THIS FELLOW IS ONE OF TEAM AQUA'S ADMINS, ISN'T HE...?
TMP
SNAP
I'LL JUST DO A LITTLE CHECK ON TABITHA'S MEMORY...
AND THIS FELLOW...
SO ONE OF THE ORBS HAS GONE TO TEAM AQUA...
TOO BAD.
I SEE...
KRCKL KRCKL
HE WAS BETRAYED BY HIS BOSS, EH?
HEH. I FEEL SORRY FOR YOU.


BUT THIS IS NONE OF MY BUSINESS. YOUR FRIENDS CAN COME AND PICK YOU UP.
C'MON, WAKE UP, TABITHA! WE'VE GOT ANOTHER JOB TO DO!
UNH... URGH...
SORRY, BLAISE ...
YOU'RE AWAKE. DON'T APOLOGIZE, JUST DO YOUR JOB.
WHERE ARE WE GOING ...?
ROUTE 121...
I RECEIVED A REPORT THAT OUR CUTE LITTLE GROUDON WAS ENJOYING ITS LITTLE STROLL THERE...BUT THEN THE GYM LEADERS GOT IN ITS WAY.
WE NEED TO TEACH THEM A LESSON.
RING RING
COURTNEY? IT'S ME.
AND IT'S ABOUT TIME COURTNEY CAME BACK...
BLIP


I'VE BEEN WATCHING BLAISE...
GROUDON IS DOING A FINE JOB OF CREATING CHAOS.
THAT'S RIGHT. THE OPERATION IS GOING AS PLANNED! WELL, THAT'S WHAT I'M HOPING, ANYWAY...
HMPH.
BUT THERE ARE STILL SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE TRYING TO INTERFERE. AND I'D LIKE TO CRUSH THEM **ONCE AND FOR ALL!** SO...CAN YOU COME BACK?
MOSSDEEP CITY.
THE MOSSDEEP SPACE CENTER, TO BE PRECISE.



TWO NOSY INTRUDERS ...
...ARE DEFEATING OUR TROOPS ONE AFTER ANOTHER.
I HAVE TO ADMIT I'M IMPRESSED! THEY FIGURED OUT WHAT WE WERE UP TO AND CAME ALL THE WAY DOWN HERE.
BUT IT'S NO PROBLEM.
WE'LL JUST GET RID OF ANYONE WHO GETS IN OUR WAY!
RMBL RMBL

Chapter 244

The Beginning of the End with Kyogre & Groudon VIII





HUF
HUF
HUF
...
AAH
...
CHTTR
CHTTR
YOUR HARD WORK IS MUCH APPRECIATED...
...AMBER.
NO!
DID YOU REALLY... ABANDON ME?
DID...THE BOSS... REALLY BETRAY ME?


BOOM
FOR OUR BOSS!
AND TO SPREAD THE SEA!!
IT CAN'T BE! I MUST HAVE...
... MISHEARD HIM! IT'S ALL JUST A BIG MISTAKE!!
MY LOYALTY WILL NOT BE SWAYED!
I'LL STILL WORK FOR HIM! I'LL STILL FIGHT FOR HIM!!
BLIP
ZOOP
SPLOOOOP
SPLASH


WZZZZZZ
GLARE
SHING
SIZZZL
ZZZL


VUNGE
AND IT LOOKS LIKE GROUDON IS GAINING STRENGTH FROM IT!!
THE TEM-PERATURE HERE IS SKYROCK-ETING!!
SIZZZL
WHAT IS THAT... MASS OF ENERGY?!


KRASH
SIZZL
SLAP
HARIYAMA, SMELLING-SALT!!
IT'S PARA-LYZED!! HANG IN THERE!!
IT GATHERED ALL THE ELECTRICITY IN THE AIR AND RELEASED IT WITH THUNDER!!
MA-CHOKE! MA-CHOKE!!
WE MUSTN'T LET IT GO!!
WE CAN'T LET IT TRAVEL ANY FARTHER!!
WHIP
KER THUNK
GROU-DON...!


I'LL STOP IT NO MATTER WHAT!!
BOOM
NOSE-PASS!! BLOCK!!
RMBL

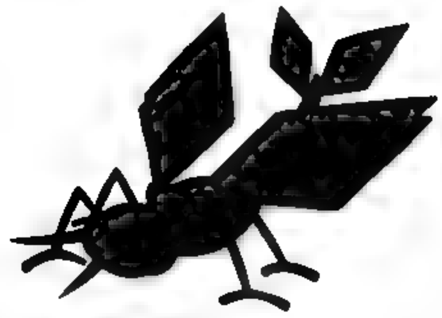


KRASH
ROCK BLAST !!
SMAK
KRNK
KRNK
KRNK
WELL SAID, ROX-ANNE !!
I DON'T APPROVE OF ROUGH TACTICS LIKE THIS...
...BUT IT'S THE ONLY WAY TO KEEP IT FROM ADVANCING !!
SWISH
WE CAN SLOW IT DOWN WITH A CONCEN-TRATED ATTACK!!


TINK
TINK
TINK
TINK
THAT'S ...
RICHARD!! ICE BALL!!
WE'RE FACING AN INCREDIBLY POWERFUL OPPONENT.
TACTICS, BATTLE STYLES, AND BEAUTY CARRY NO WEIGHT IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS!!
AND NOW THAT RUBY AND SAPPHIRE ARE RISKING THEIR LIVES BY GOING DOWN TO THE SEAFLOOR CAVERN TO FIGHT...
JUMP
... WALLACE !!


...IT WOULD SET A BAD EXAMPLE...
...FOR US TO WORRY ABOUT APPEARANCES!
THIS IS TOTALLY UNCALLED FOR, YOU KNOW!
AFTER WE WENT TO ALL THAT TROUBLE TO AWAKEN IT TOO!
IF YOU'RE GOING TO STOP GROUDON...
...THEN WE'RE GONNA STOP YOU!!

Chapter 245
Bravo, Vibrava




YOU'RE ...?!
THE THREE FIRES!
TEAM MAGMA!


WE'RE GONNA DRY UP THE SEA AND SPREAD THE LAND!!
TO ACHIEVE THAT, WE NEED GROUDON TO TURN THIS REGION UPSIDE DOWN!!
BOM BOM BOM
AND WE WON'T LET...
...ANY OF YOU GYM LEADERS STAND IN OUR WAY!!
ZOOM
LILY-COVE CITY IS RIGHT NEARBY.
GRAB
IT'S A DESERTED GHOST TOWN NOW...
YANK
...SO WE'LL PLAY WITH YOU THERE.
ZWIP



ZWOOOP
SMASH
RMMBBL
THUDUNK
THIS IS...
LILYCOVE MUSEUM!!
TMP


LILYCOVE DEPART-MENT STORE!
COVE LILY MOTEL!
NOW THEN ...
...LET'S BEGIN!
HA !!
THOSE PESKY GYM LEADERS ARE TRYING TO STOP KYOGRE!!


WE NEED TO PUT A STOP TO POTENTIAL THREATS TO OUR PLAN!
WE'VE GOT TO THINK OF SOME-THING...
OH! WHAT'S THIS?
WOM
AMBER
IT'S AMBER! HE'S BACK FROM THE SEAFLOOR CAVERN!
HE'LL BE HERE SHORTLY!
GREAT! THAT MEANS THE OPERATION AT THE CAVERN WAS A SUCCESS! HE MUST BE COMING HERE TO JOIN US!!
WE'LL COMBINE THE POWER OF ALL THREE OF THE TEAM AQUA ADMINS—THE SSS—TO DEFEAT THE GYM LEADERS.
WE MUST HELP KYOGRE DRAW OUT ITS FULL POWER!
FLAP FLAP
!!
LOOKS LIKE HE'S ARRIVED!



DRAGONBREATH!!
LUNGE
WATT-SON, LOOK!!
!!
FSSSZZIP


IT'S WINONA! WINONA AND...
...THE TEAM WITH THE BLUE UNI-FORMS!!
KACHANG
WINONA IS FIGHTING TWO MEMBERS OF THE BLUE TEAM!!
NOW THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE POKÉMON ASSOCIATION IS BACK IN CHARGE OF THIS EMER-GENCY, I GET TO BE AN ORDINARY GYM LEADER AGAIN!
SO NOW I CAN TAKE YOU ON!!
BOOM
SKARMORY!!
METAL SOUND!!
SQUEEEGK



ALTARIA, FLAMETHROWER!!
FOOM
KWA
AAAARGH!!
AIR CUTTER!!
SWISH SWISH SWISH
WINONA'S AMAZING!!
WHY, YOU--!!
SHE'S IN DANGER!!
FLANNERY, YOU HELP WINONA! I'LL TAKE CARE OF KYOGRE!
WILL DO!
LET'S GO, VULPIX!!
WILL-O-WISP!
BOM



!!
THANKS, FLANNERY !!
HA HA HA!!
ARGH!
HOW DARE YOU INTERFERE!
YOU ...!
I SAW WHAT YOU DID AT MT. CHIMNEY!
HOW COULD YOU DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT?!
I'LL DEFEAT YOU IF IT'S THE LAST THING I DO!!


SMAK
SMAK
BZZOOP
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH !!
I SAID I'D TAKE CARE OF THIS MYSELF...
...BUT KYOGRE IS STILL VERY POWER-FUL!
HMM ...
AS A MATTER OF FACT, ITS ATTACKS HAVE INTENSI-FIED!
IT'S AS IF IT KNOWS WHAT IT'S TARGETING NOW...

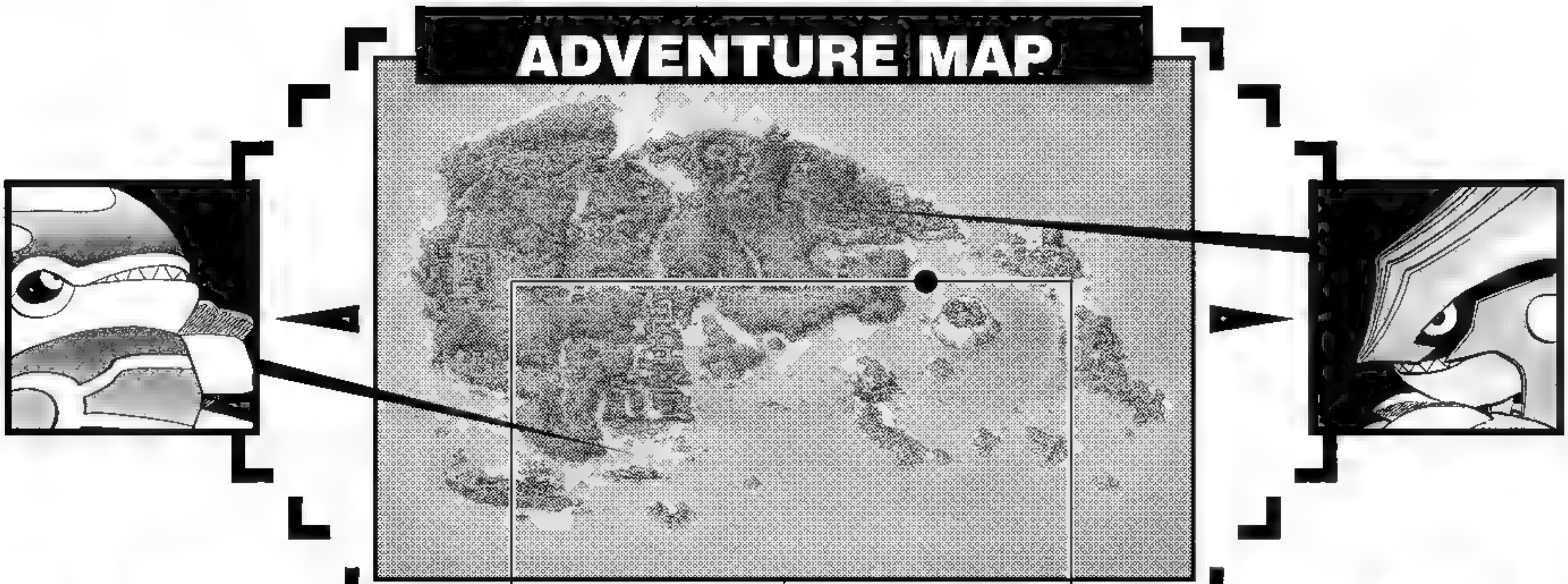

THERE'S A REASON FOR THAT...
OUR LEADER, ARCHIE...
...IS IN POSSESSION OF THE BLUE ORB NOW.
WHICH IMBUES HIM WITH THE POWER...
...TO GIVE DIRECT ORDERS TO KYOGRE!
SPLASH
SPLASH
AHAHAHA...



LOOKS LIKE EVERYBODY HAS EVACUATED TO NEW MAUVILLE.
THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYONE LEFT...
FSSSS
SLATEPORT CITY ...
HEY!
IS ANYBODY HOME ...?
OH... THERE'S SOMEONE!!
BOING
HEY! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ?!
WHOA!
YES, I'M FINE. I WAS READING AND I DIDN'T NOTICE THAT EVERYBODY WAS LEAVING.
YOU SURE ARE CALM ABOUT IT...
UM... WHAT ARE YOU READING?
AN ANCIENT STONE PLATE THAT SOMEBODY DUG UP.
THESE BUMPS REPRESENT LETTERS AND I SLIDE MY FINGER OVER THEM TO READ THEM.
WOW! THAT'S QUITE A TALENT YOU'VE GOT THERE!


WHERE'D YOU LEARN TO DO THAT?
FROM A MAN I MET BACK AT THE HOSPITAL. HE WAS REALLY SOME-THING!
HE SAID HE WAS THE CHAMPION!
THE... CHAM-PION?
YES! THE LEADER OF THE ELITE FOUR, A GROUP OF SUPER POWERFUL POKÉMON TRAINERS.
AND HE'S THE CHAMPION OF THE POKÉMON LEAGUE TOO!!

ADVENTURE MAP



SAPPHIRE

Pokémon	Species	Level
CHIC	Blaziken ♀	Lv40
RONO	Lairon ♂	Lv41
RELLY	Relicanth ♂	Lv47
PHADO	Donphan ♂	Lv48
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Fortree City

Route 123 ▼ / Slateport City ▼

Route 126

RUBY

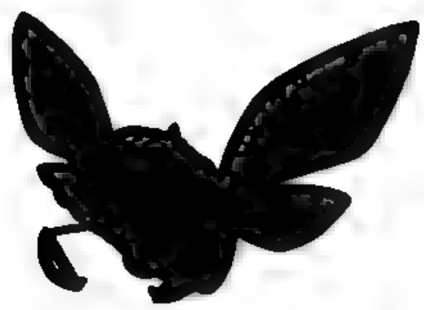
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MUMU	Swampert ♂
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KIKI	Delcatty ♀
FOFO	Castform ♀

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	Cool	Beauty	Cute	Smart	Tough
Normal					
Super					
Hyper					
Master					

Chapter 246

Can I Ninjask You a Question?




GWAAARRR


AHA HA HA HA...
BLOOOP
I "SEE" A "SEA" MAN!
THAT'S ONE OF THE AQUA ADMINS, WATTSON. HE'S THE ONE WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE OPERATION AT MT. CHIMNEY.
STOCK-PILE AND...
GLUB GLUB
...SWALLOW.
STOCK-PILE AND...
...SPIT UP!!
PTOOO


DA
DOOSH
WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO STOP THEM, BUT...
VS
VS
VS
IT'S THREE ON THREE...
THAT WAS AN IM-PELIPPER-SIVE MOVE!!
GRRR ...
SPLASH
WFFWFFNF
CAN YOU AFFORD TO TAKE YOUR EYES OFF ME?
...WHILE WE'RE OTHERWISE ENGAGED, KYOGRE MIGHT GET AWAY!
NOT SO FAST... ATTACK !!
KRCKL
ZZZAP


I DON'T KNOW.
I LEFT THE REST OF MY POKÉMON DOWN IN THE SEAFLOOR CAVERN.
WHAT ?!
WATER VERSUS ELECTRIC! I HAVE AN ADVANTAGE OVER YOUR POKÉMON-TYPE!
FWUMP
AND NOW THAT PELIPPER IS OUT OF THE FIGHT, WHICH POKÉMON WILL YOU BATTLE WITH NEXT?!
IN THAT CASE, USE THIS ONE, AMBER!!
TOSS
THANK YOU, SHELLY!
CATCH
AH! THIS IS YOUR BEST POKÉMON!
COME OUT, NINCADA !!
BOOM


SMASH
GO, MANEC-TRIC!!
HMM !!
ZOOM
IS THIS SOME KIND OF JOKE? **THIS** IS YOUR BEST POKÉMON...?
WHAT?
ALLOW ME TO DEMON-STRATE...
AHAHAHA... YOU SEEM PUZZLED THAT I'M FIGHTING WITH NINCADA.
WOM
WOM
ROOOARR
TRMBL
ROAR!!
OH! IT DIDN'T SWITCH OUT WITH ANOTHER POKÉMON WHEN I USED ROAR.
THAT MEANS HE REALLY DOESN'T HAVE ANOTHER POKÉMON!


...WHY THIS IS THE BEST POKÉMON!!
TING
HUH ?!
IT EVOLVED !!
BZZB ZZBZZBZZ
FZZZIPP


IT'S UNBELIEVABLY FAST!! I CAN'T EVEN SEE ITS ATTACK!!
I GET IT NOW... THIS IS WHAT YOU MEANT BY THE "BEST" POKÉMON, HUH?!
KERSMASH
AHH !!
AHAHAHA... NINJASK IS THE EVOLVED FORM OF NINCADA!
AND ITS ABILITY IS SPEED BOOST!!
FWZZZZ
AN ALREADY SWIFT POKÉMON... AND THE MORE IT ATTACKS THE FASTER IT GETS!!


ZOOOOP
I'LL FIGHT SPEED WITH SPEED THEN... DOUBLE TEAM!
AND DUE TO THE SEVERITY OF THIS CRISIS, I HAVE NO INTENTION OF PLAYING IT SAFE AND PROTECTING MYSELF!!
KRNCH
WE'RE GOING DOWN TO-GETHER! DO IT, MAN-ECTRIC!
EXACTLY!!
RM BLRMBL
NO WAY!!
!!


FSSSSS
fwump
KWHOOZAAP
THUNDER!
YOU HELD NINJASK DOWN AND GUIDED THAT THUNDER LIKE A LIGHTNING ROD...
THUNK
I WIN!
I, HOWEVER, STILL HAVE A BACK-UP POKÉMON!!
MY MANECTRIC IS OUT OF THE FIGHT— BUT YOU'VE LOST YOUR ONLY POKÉMON.
WBBL WBBL
WHAT ...?!


WAIT...
YOU HAVE ANOTHER POKÉMON ...?
HOW ...?!
YOU'RE CLEARLY AN EXPE-RIENCED GYM LEADER, AND...
...THAT WAS A MAGNIFICENT FIGHT YOU PUT UP—DESPITE YOUR TERRIBLE PUNS. BUT YOU LET YOUR GUARD DOWN TOO FAST.
WHEN NINCADA EVOLVES, IT TURNS INTO **TWO** POKÉMON—THE NINJA POKÉMON, NINJASK...
...AND THE SHED POKÉMON, SHEDINJA.
WHAT YOU DIDN'T KNOW COST YOU THE BATTLE.
FWUMP
WATT-SON!
WATT-SON...
... LOST ?!



WATT-
SON!!
YOU'RE
NOT
GOING
ANY-
WHERE.
TMP
YANK
SLIP
I'M YOUR
OPPONENT.
SPLASH
SLIP
MUST...
STOP
IT...
AND...
...
PROTECT...
HOENN...
KY...
OGRE.


ONE...
...DOWN.
WATTSON!!

ADVENTURE MAP



SAPPHIRE

- CHIC — Blaziken ♀ — Lv40
- RONO — Lairon ♂ — Lv41
- RELLY — Relicanth ♂ — Lv47
- PHADO — Donphan ♂ — Lv48
- TROPPY — Tropius ♂ — Lv46
- LORRY — Wailord ♂ — Lv48

RUBY

- MUMU — Swampert ♂
- NANA — Mightyena ♀
- KIKI — Delcatty ♀
- FOFO — Castform ♀

Fortree City

▼ Route 123 / ▼ Slateport City

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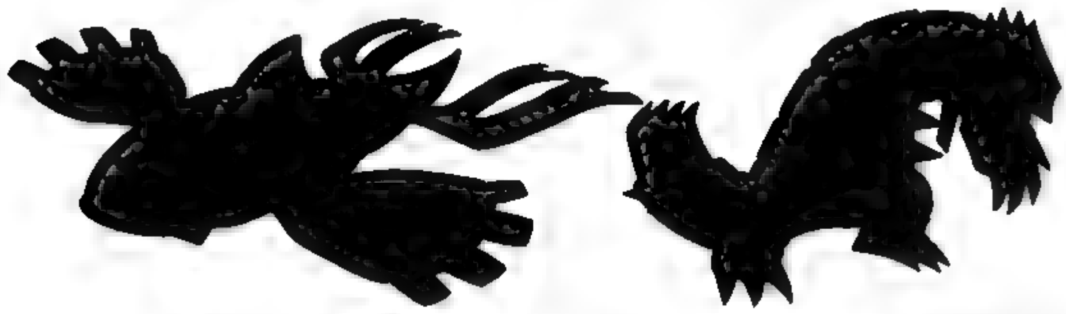
Route 126

Stone Badge	Knuckle Badge	Dynamo Badge	Heat Badge
Balance Badge	Feather Badge	Mind Badge	Rain Badge

	Cool	Beauty	Cute	Smart	Tough
Normal					
Super					
Hyper					
Master					

Chapter 247

The Beginning of the End with Kyogre & Groudon IX



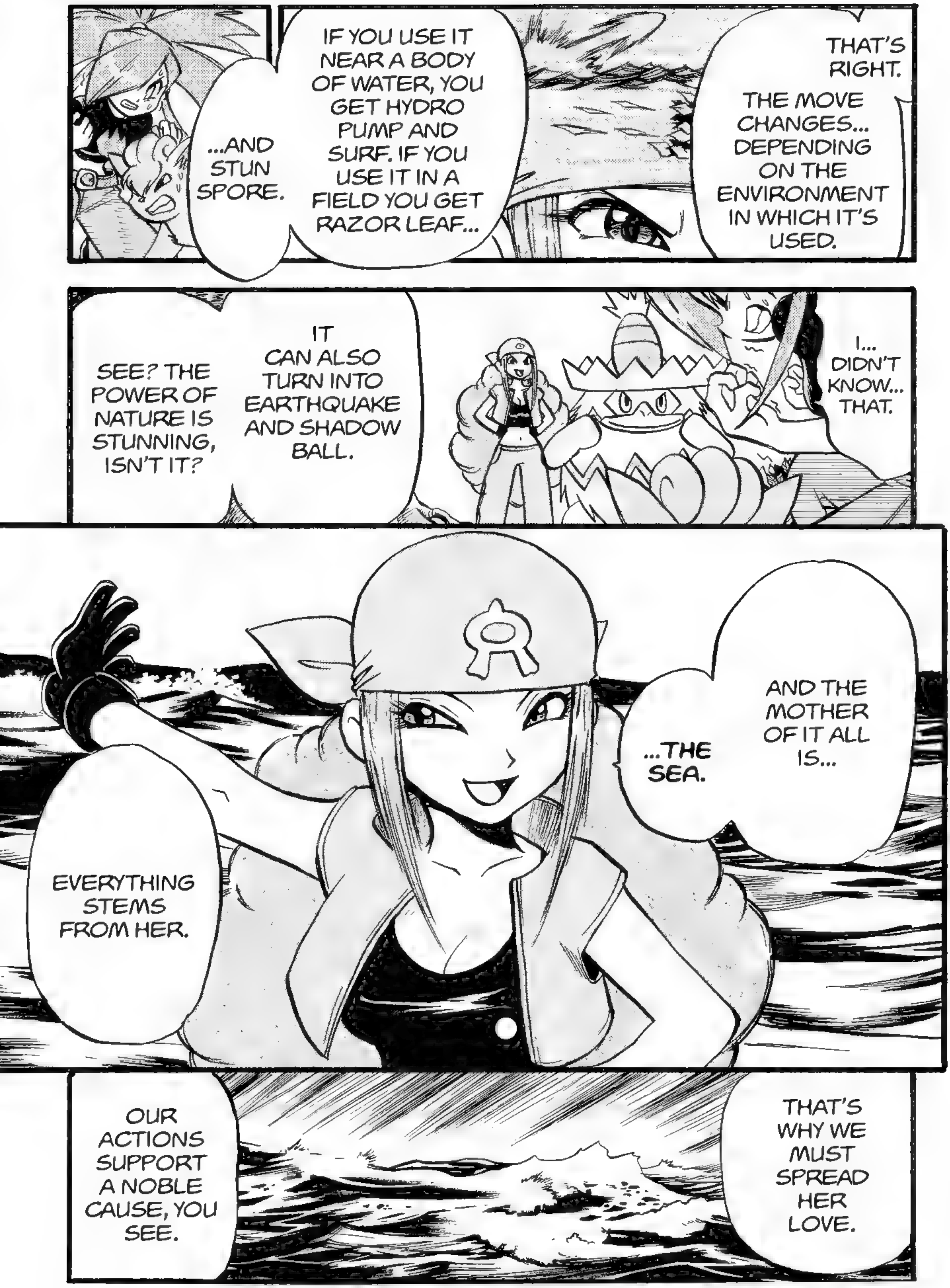


WATTSOOON!!
GLUBGLUB
BUBBL
ALTARIA!! WHY AREN'T YOU LISTENING TO ME?!
WE HAVE TO GO AND HELP HIM!!


THAT SHARPEDO IS USING TAUNT!
THEY'RE PREVENTING US FROM MOVING SO I CAN'T HELP WATTSON!
THEIR TEAMWORK AND COMBINATION MOVES ARE ASTOUNDING!
GRRR
ALTARIA! ALTARIA!!
SO, THAT'S WHY IT WON'T LISTEN TO MY ORDERS!
OF COURSE.
WE ARE THE SSS.
IN OTHER WORDS—THE SUBLEADERS OF THE SEA SCHEME!
AND THE EXECUTIVE MEMBERS OF TEAM AQUA!
HOW DARE YOU...
KLNCH
KLNCH


SMAK
ROOOOR
HOW DARE YOU!!
DID YOU REALLY IMAGINE YOU COULD DEFEAT US WITH YOUR PITIABLE GOOD INTENTIONS?
ZWOOOOP
WE ARE THE EXECUTIVE MEMBERS OF TEAM AQUA...
RSTL
AN ATTACK FROM OUTSIDE?!
ARGH!!
SMASH
AND THAT'S NOT ALL...


TCH !!
AAAAH!!
SLASH
PUFF
AHHH! KOFF KOFF!
HA HA HA... SURPRISED?
THIS IS LUDI-COLO'S MOVE NATURE POWER.
NATURE POWER ...?
KOFF KOFF


THAT'S RIGHT.
THE MOVE CHANGES... DEPENDING ON THE ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH IT'S USED.
IF YOU USE IT NEAR A BODY OF WATER, YOU GET HYDRO PUMP AND SURF. IF YOU USE IT IN A FIELD YOU GET RAZOR LEAF...
...AND STUN SPORE.
I... DIDN'T KNOW... THAT.
IT CAN ALSO TURN INTO EARTHQUAKE AND SHADOW BALL.
SEE? THE POWER OF NATURE IS STUNNING, ISN'T IT?
AND THE MOTHER OF IT ALL IS...
...THE SEA.
EVERYTHING STEMS FROM HER.
THAT'S WHY WE MUST SPREAD HER LOVE.
OUR ACTIONS SUPPORT A NOBLE CAUSE, YOU SEE.


AND IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE OUR GOAL...
...WE MUST MAKE SOME SACRIFICES.
YOU GYM LEADERS ...
...AND THAT FOOLISH PROFESSOR COZMO...
HA HA HA... WELL, WE'LL HONOR YOU WITH THE STORY OF HOW...
...YOU SACRI-FICED YOUR-SELVES TO HELP BUILD A BETTER FUTURE...
AFTER WE DEFEAT YOU, THAT IS!
KRASH


LILYCOVE CITY, LILYCOVE MUSEUM ...
KRCKL KRCKL
MUSEU
I CAN'T SEE WHO I'M FIGHTING!!
ACK ...
WHAT IS THIS EERIE FIRE?!
NUTS! MACHOKE'S BEEN BURNED !!
KRNK


SHOW ME YOUR GUTS ABILITY, MACHOKE !!
USE THE DAMAGE YOU RECEIVED JUST NOW...
...TO TAKE RE-VENGE !!
HOW'D THAT FEEL?! MACHOKE USED ITS GUTS ABILITY TO DRAW ON THE BURN IT RECEIVED...
FWUMP
...PLUS WE MULTIPLIED THE DAMAGE WITH REVENGE!!
IT... DISAP-PEARED ?!
GRRR! IT WAS AN ILLU-SION ALL THIS TIME?!
I BET YOU DON'T HAVE ANY STRENGTH LEFT IN YOU!!
HEY !!
ZWOOP


GRAB
AHH !!
OOOP
CALM DOWN, MACHOKE !!
AHH !!
THIS IS ONLY AN ILLUSION !!
?!
WBBL


MY ILLUSION ATTACKS WORK DIRECTLY AGAINST MY OPPONENT'S MIND...
...YOU CAN'T ESCAPE THEM THAT EASILY.
HA! GIVE IT UP.
WBBL
YOU DON'T NEED TO STAY PUT FOR VERY LONG...
JUST UNTIL GROUDON IS DONE WITH ITS WORK.
...
STGGR
BMP
I CAN'T LET THAT HAPPEN!
THE SOFT AND FLEXIBLE FIGHTING STYLE I'VE MASTERED...
...TAKES MY OPPONENTS' STRENGTH AND USES IT AGAINST THEM...
JINGL
BUT... THAT ONLY WORKS WITH OPPONENTS WHO HAVE THE COURAGE TO FIGHT ME FACE-TO-FACE...
HMMM...

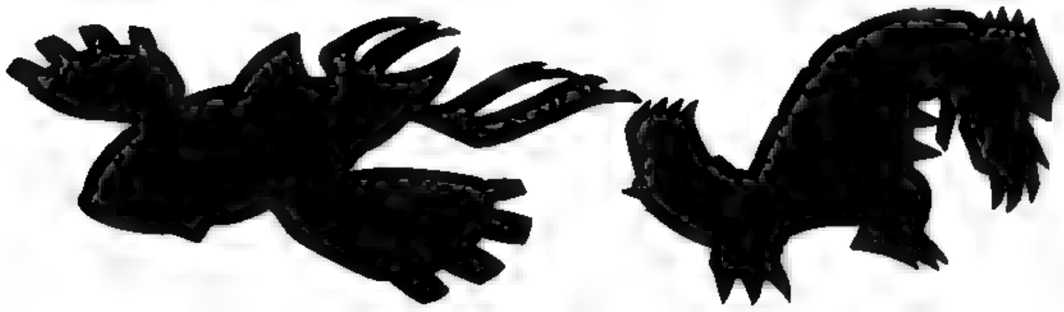

JINGL
BUT FOR COWARDS LIKE YOU...
...WHO LIKE TO HIDE...
SWING
SWISH
BEFORE ALL THIS HAPPENED, I WAS REUNITED WITH AN OLD FRIEND OF MINE AT TRAINING CAMP.
HE TAUGHT ME THIS... A COUNTER-PART FIGHTING STYLE...
OH, THAT'S ...
SWI
SH
SWI
SH
THE HARD AND TOUGH STYLE!!
BOOM
SWISH


FAKE OUT!!
SLAP
PULL YOUR-SELVES TOGETHER !!
WOOSH
ARGH !!
SHDDR

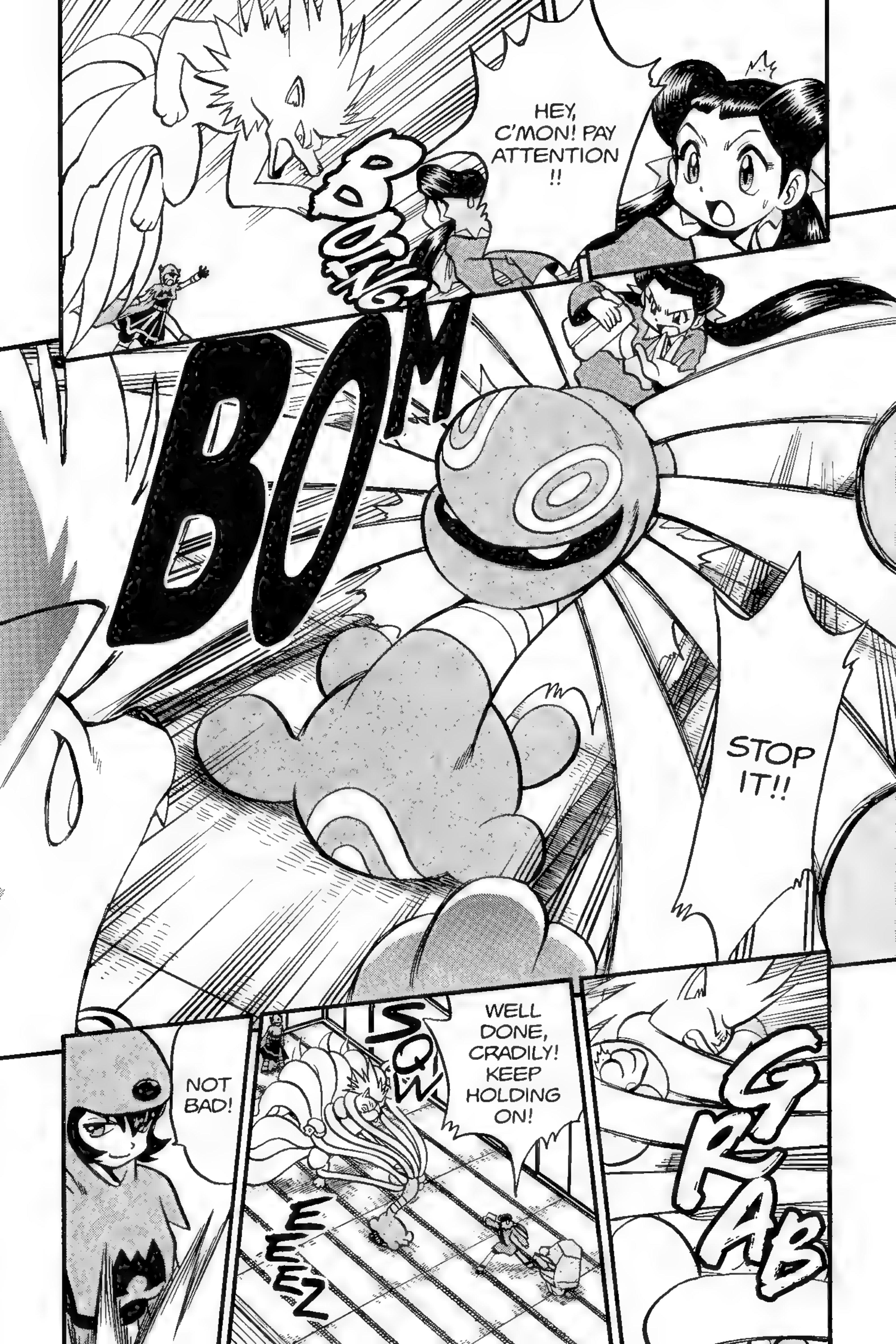

PAP
PAP
PAP
PAP
PAP
ARM THRUST !!
ARM THRUST !!
ARM THRUST !!
ARM THRUST !!
IF THE HEAT FROM THAT FIRE IS MAKING ME SEE THINGS...
...THEN I'LL BLOW THE FLAMES AWAY!!
ALLOW ME TO INTRO-DUCE YOU TO...
JING
...MY FRIEND BRUNO !!
SWOOOP
KAA!!!!!!

Chapter 248

The Beginning of the End with Kyogre & Groudon X




TINK
TINK
TINK
TINK
KAAA!!!!
AAARGH!!
!!
Cove Lily
KABOOM
THAT MUST BE BRAWLY'S MOVE!!



HEY, C'MON! PAY ATTENTION !!
BOING
BOM
STOP IT!!
WELL DONE, CRADILY! KEEP HOLDING ON!
NOT BAD!
SQW
EEEEZ
GRAB


YOU WANT TO FEND OFF GROUDON BY DEFEATING NOSEPASS AND THUS NEUTRALIZING ITS BLOCK!
GROUDON IS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF MY NOSEPASS'S BLOCK AT THE MOMENT!
I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE AFTER!
EXACTLY!
SIZZZ
YOU DON'T SERIOUSLY THINK I'D LOSE IN A PUSHING AND SHOVING MATCH LIKE THIS, DO YOU?!
SIZZZL
I'LL GET RID OF ITS STAMINA SO IT WON'T HAVE THE STRENGTH LEFT TO HOLD YOU DOWN!!
SIZZZL
KRNCH
!!
ST
GGR
WBBL


KAPOOF
UMMPH
KLNCH KLNCH
AFTER ALL THE DAMAGE IT RECEIVED... IT'S HEALED ALREADY ?!
IT'S A GOOD THING THIS MOTEL HAS TRADITIONAL STRAW TATAMI MATS ON THE FLOOR...
I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PULL THAT OFF IN A MODERN HOTEL WITH A SLIPPERY CONCRETE OR MARBLE FLOOR.
DO DO DO DO
WHAT DID YOU JUST DO?!
FWOOSH
!!



INGRAIN!! HOW IRRITAT-ING...
KNOWLEDGE AND STRATEGY!
THAT'S MY BATTLE STYLE!!
THERE'RE STILL PEOPLE AROUND HERE...?!
KLTTR KLTTR
!!
BZZT


GLOOOP
AIYEEEE!!
AAAHH! I'M A PRO-GRAMMER! I CAME TO HOENN FOR A VACATION...
I'M A GRAPHIC DESIGNER!
I WAS TAKING A NAP... I DIDN'T SEE OR HEAR A THING!!
I'M A VIDEO GAME DESIGNER! HOENN IS A SCARY PLACE!
RUN!!
OOPS!
THAT'S A POWERFUL ACID I CREATED BY MIXING QUALOT BERRY JUICE, HONDEW BERRY JUICE AND WEEPINBELL'S ACID.
WAARGH
IF I SPRAY THAT ON THEM, THEY'LL DISSOLVE— JUST LIKE THIS SLIDING SCREEN!
KRNCH


SMASH
HOW QUICKLY THE TIDE HAS TURNED!!
DON'T MOVE! IF YOU DON'T WANT ANYTHING TO HAPPEN TO THESE PEOPLE, THAT IS...
GRRR!
FWUMP
NOSE-PASS...
HA HA HA.
GROUDON IS FREE!!


RMMMBBBLL


MY NAME'S MAXIE.
MY NAME'S ARCHIE.
RMMBBBBLL
DRIP


HYYAAAAAAARGH!!
KERASH
FWIP
ROLL
ROLL
ZLIP


SMACK
THWAPP
PHADO, FACADE !!
NANA, HOWL !!
THE TEAM AQUA MEMBERS I FOUGHT AT PETALBURG WOODS AND MT. CHIMNEY. SO **THIS** IS THEIR...
THE TEAM MAGMA MEMBERS I FOUGHT AT SLATEPORT CITY AND RUSTURF TUNNEL! SO **THIS** IS THEIR...



...BOSS!!
...BOSS!!
...THOSE THINGS THEY'RE HOLDIN' MUST BE...
THEN...
FWIP
FWIP
THE RED ORB THAT CONTROLS GROUDON!!
THE BLUE ORB THAT CONTROLS KYOGRE!!

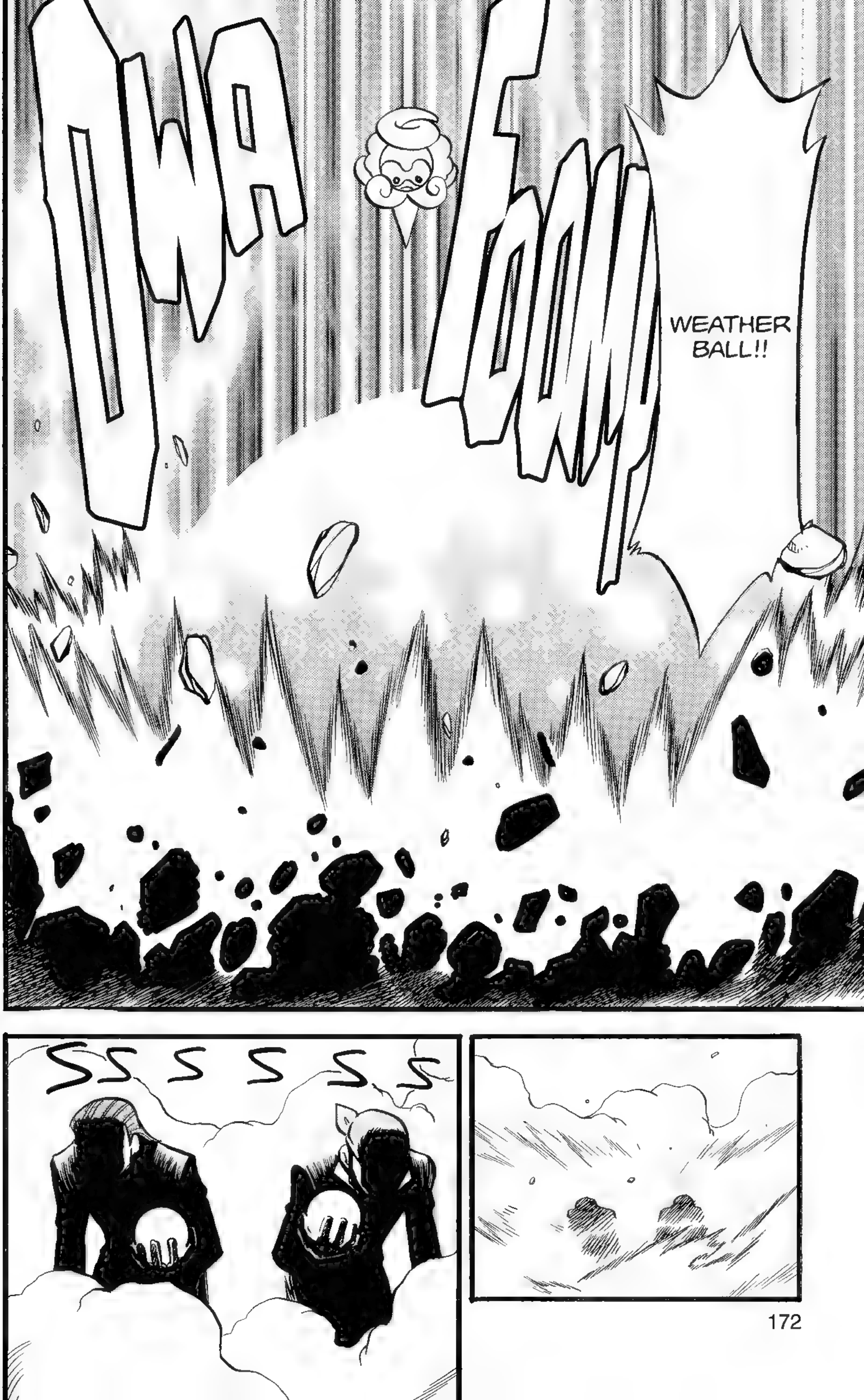

THIS IS BASICALLY A TAG BATTLE...
...BUT THEY AREN'T COOPERAT-ING. AS A MATTER OF FACT...
BUT SOME-THIN'S WRONG!
RIGHT!
...THEY DON'T EVEN SEEM...
...TO **NOTICE** EACH OTHER!
WELL...
IN THAT CASE...
I'LL LEAD THE MAIN OFFENSIVE ATTACK... YOU SUPPORT ME, OKAY?
WHAT ?!
REMEMBER WHAT YOU TOLD ME AT THE ABANDONED SHIP? TEAMWORK IS CRITICAL WHEN FIGHTING A TWO-ON-TWO BATTLE.
YEAH... I KNOW ... BUT...


ZAP
CHIC!
FWIP
FWIP
FWIP
FWIP
RUMBL
MUMU !!
DRAW THEIR ATTENTION WITH YOUR FAST FOOTWORK . WHILE I...
ZWP


MUDDY WATER!! ATTACK BOTH OF THEM AT THE SAME TIME!!
KASPLASH
SHEER COLD!!
KRRKKK
OVERHEAT!!
FOOM
YOU DID IT!!
ALL RIGHT! LET'S STRIKE AGAIN—BEFORE THEY HAVE A CHANCE TO GET BACK ON THEIR FEET!
KASPLASH
YOU THINK I'M THAT EASY TO DEFEAT?!
YOU BRATS!!


TROPPY! RONO! PHADO!
FOFO! KIKI! NANA!
I'VE FINALLY COME THIS FAR...
AND I WON'T LET YOU STAND IN MY WAY!
...
THE SAME GOES FOR US TOO, YOU KNOW!
WE'RE NOT GOING BACK EMPTY-HANDED!
FOFO!
KRIK


SH
INKCHH
YOU USED THE ICICLES CREATED BY WALREIN'S SHEER COLD TO CREATE HAIL!!
EXACTLY!! AND NOW...
HUH ?!
WOMWOM


WEATHER BALL!!
SSSSSS


WHAT'SA MATTER?
PHEW! WAIT... WHAT?
C'MON, LET'S FINISH WHAT WE CAME HERE FOR. LET'S GET THOSE ORBS BACK!
MAYBE I WAS A BIT TOO ROUGH ON THEM? MEH... THEY DESERVE IT.
I CAN'T TAKE THE ORBS FROM THEM!!
THEY'RE STUCK TO THEIR HANDS!!
THIS IS BAD...
UH-OH...
RMBL
RMBL


THOSE MEN WANTED TO GET AHOLD OF THE POWER OF THE ORBS...
...BUT NOW THE POWER OF THE ORBS WANTS TO GET AHOLD OF THEM!
THE ORBS ARE TAKING THEM OVER!!
URGH... GURGH.
GYARGH... HEH HEH...
GYEH HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH!!


NEXT VOLUME!
A MIRACLE OCCURS THE MOMENT RUBY AND SAPPHIRE'S HEARTS BECOME ONE! WILL LOVE SAVE THE DAY?!
CLASH!!
NOTHING BUT DESPAIR BEFORE THEM!
RMBL
OUR HEROES REALIZE HOW TRULY POWERLESS THEY ARE!
BUT JUST AS THEY ARE ABOUT TO GIVE UP ALL HOPE...
YOU DON'T WANT TO LOSE SOMEONE DEAR TO YOU, DO YOU?
THE MEMORIES THEY HAVE KEPT LOCKED UP INSIDE...
...RETURN TO THEM.
POKéMON ADVENTURES
Volume 21!

THE MYSTERY OF THE MYSTICAL ORBS AND STONES

The Orbs and Stones hold the key to this battle... Let's take a look at the incredible power hidden inside them.

ORBS AND STONES ARE VALUED AS WORKS OF ART IN THE HOENN REGION. THE TYPE OF ENERGY EMANATING FROM THE ORBS AND STONES IS STILL A COMPLETE MYSTERY. BUT SINCE THEY ARE DEEPLY CONNECTED TO ANCIENT POKÉMON AND THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL CATASTROPHE, IT IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO UNDERSTAND THEIR SECRET.

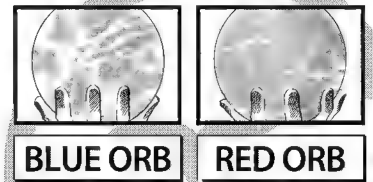


STONE COLLECTOR: STEVEN — THE POKÉMON CHAMPION. HE IS KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT ANCIENT RUINS.

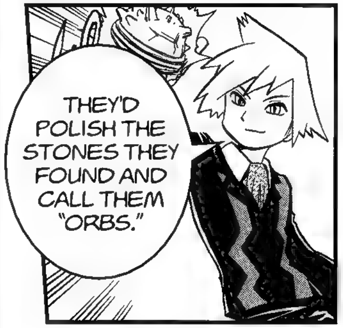
TEAM AQUA: SSS SHELLY — SKILLED AT USING STONES TO EVOLVE POKÉMON.

ORBS

CAN BE USED TO CONTROL LEGENDARY POKÉMON'S BEHAVIOR.



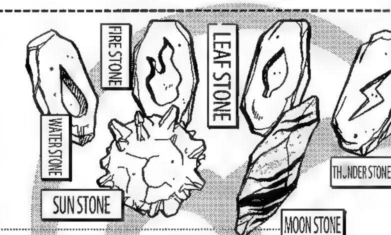
THE RED AND BLUE ORBS CONTROL KYOGRE AND GROUDON—AT A PRICE. THE ORBS TAKE OVER THE MINDS OF THOSE WHO WIELD THEM AND ABSORB THEIR LIFE ENERGY!



▲ THESE PRECIOUS ORBS WERE ORIGINALLY STONES.

STONES

THESE SPECIAL STONES INFLUENCE POKÉMON EVOLUTION.



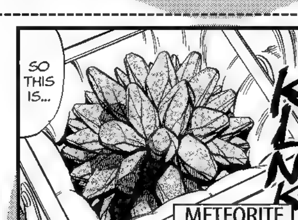
IT'S WIDELY KNOWN THAT THE STONES EXCAVATED THROUGHOUT THE HOENN REGION ARE CONNECTED TO POKÉMON TYPES, SUCH AS FIRE AND WATER, AND INFLUENCE POKÉMON EVOLUTION. CONVERSELY, A STONE CALLED THE EVERSTONE INHIBITS POKÉMON EVOLUTION.



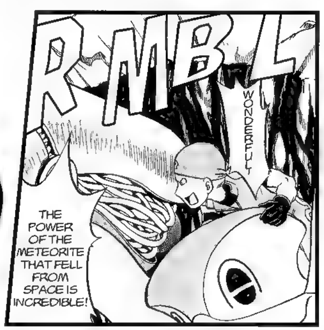
▲ OF ALL THE STONES, ONLY THE MOON STONE HAS AN UNKNOWN DERIVATION. SOME THEORIZE THAT IT MIGHT BE A FRAGMENT OF A METEORITE THAT FELL FROM SPACE.

METEORITE

A ROCK FULL OF MYSTICAL ENERGY THAT FELL FROM SPACE.



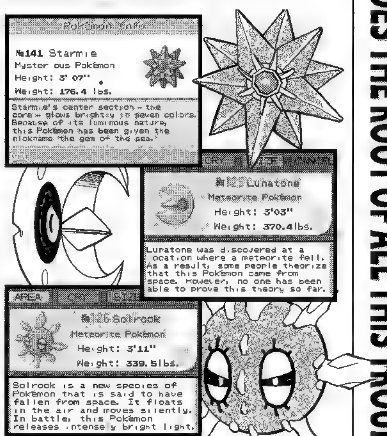
ALTHOUGH ONLY THE SIZE OF A SOCCER BALL, THIS METEORITE IS POWERFUL ENOUGH TO HALT THE ACTIVITY OF A VOLCANO. THE SOURCE OF ITS POWER IS THOUGHT TO BE SOME KIND OF SPECIAL ENERGY IT ABSORBED IN ITS JOURNEY THROUGH OUTER SPACE. THE MYSTERIES OF SPACE ARE ENDLESS...



▲ TEAM AQUA USED THE ENERGY OF THIS STONE TO ACCOMPLISH THEIR EVIL PLAN.

A HYPOTHESIS... DOES THE ROOT OF ALL THIS TROUBLE LIE IN...SPACE?!

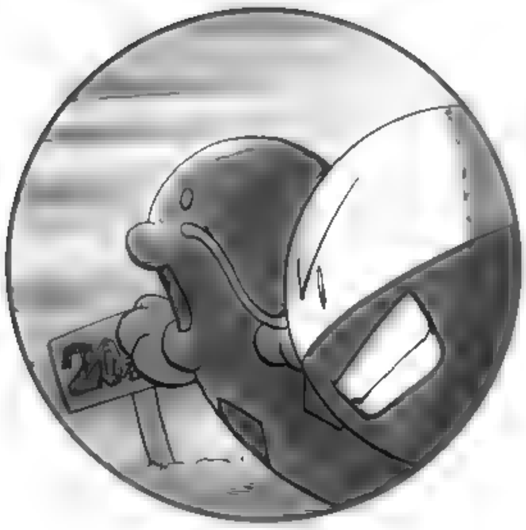
THE SOURCE OF THE ORBS, STONES AND METEORITE IS ULTIMATELY LINKED TO OUTER SPACE. THERE ARE EVEN POKÉMON WHO ARE THOUGHT TO HAVE COME FROM THERE. MORE RESEARCH ON THEM IS CLEARLY CALLED FOR.



▲ THREE POKÉMON THAT COULD BE CALLED SPACE POKÉMON. ARE THERE MORE OF THEM OUT THERE...?



▲ HOENN IS FAMOUS FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT OF SPACE TECHNOLOGY. WILL THE ROCKET AT MOSSDEEP BE USED FOR FURTHER RESEARCH ON EXTRATERRESTRIAL LIFE FORMS?



Message from
Hidenori Kusaka

The two main characters in this story arc, Ruby and Sapphire, change their clothes a couple of times during the story. Their change of outfit before they head for the Seafloor Cavern is part of a particularly memorable episode for me, especially because Ruby's change of heart coincides symbolically with his change of clothes. Even *I* am touched when I read over that episode! Most of this volume consists of the fight against the bosses of the two evil organizations. It's such a heated final battle! I hope your blood boils when you read it...!

Message from
Satoshi Yamamoto

The father-son battle between Ruby and Norman, Ruby's maturing and new resolve... There are all sorts of core episodes in each volume. But vol. 20 is a parade of battle after battle!! Battles occur up high in the air at the Sky Pillar as well as down low under the sea in the Seafloor Cavern. I hope you enjoy these battles in which sometimes you can barely tell friend from foe.

● Chapter 249 ●

The Beginning of the End with Kyogre & Groudon XI




VOM
ARR... RRRRGH !!
VOM
THE ORBS ...!
VOM
THE ORBS ARE... SINKING INTO THEIR HANDS!
VOM
FWIP
THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN GET THE ORBS BACK IF THEY MERGE INTO THEIR BODIES!
COVET!!
ZIP


SMAK
KIKI!!
LOOK !!
RMBL RMBL
AAAAAAAAAARGH!!


THE POWER OF THOSE TWO POKÉMON CONTAINED IN THOSE ORBS IS TAKING THEM OVER...
THAT SHADOW... IT'S KYOGRE AND GROUDON !!
I'M NOT IMAGININ' THINGS, AM I?!
HYYURRGH!!
WHA
FOOM


KIKI, ASSIST !!
TOWN
FUMMP
YOUR LAIRON LOOKS TIRED. I'LL HAVE KIKI USE ITS IRON DEFENSE INSTEAD.
I NEED ALL THE HELP I CAN GET RIGHT NOW...
YOU SAID IT!
LOOKIT HOW STRONG THEY ARE!
PUSH
IT'S LIKE KYOGRE AND GROUDON ARE ATTACKING!
THE TABLES HAVE TURNED ON THEM, ALL RIGHT!
THEY TRIED TO CONTROL THOSE ANCIENT POKÉMON WITH THE ORBS...
...BUT NOW THE ANCIENT LEGENDARY POKÉMON ARE CONTROLLING THEM!
THEY'RE BEING TAKEN OVER!


UUURRRRGH!
LOOK OUT!! MUMU, PROTECT HER!!
MUD SPORT !!
YARGH!
JUMP
SPLASH


WHAT'S THAT FEELING CALLED AGAIN... "DÉJÀ VU"?
SEEMS LIKE I'VE DONE THIS BEFORE...
ARGH!!
I AIN'T GOT TIME FOR THIS!
GRAB
GRAB
GRRR!!
SLAP


AND THE SEA-FLOOR CAVERN...
...IS CRUMBLING!!
RM BL RM BL
KYOGRE AND GROUDON ARE TRYING TO DRAW THE ORBS TO THEM!!
THEY'RE BEING SUMMONED!!
WE'RE FLYIN?! WHAT'S GOIN' ON?!
THEY'RE ABSORBING EVERYONE'S ENERGY!!
HUUUUUUURRGH!!
FZZZZZZ


RUBY IS CORRECT.
WITH THE GYM LEADERS OUT OF THE WAY...
...IT WILL BE EASY TO GAIN CONTROL OF THE TEAM BOSSES...
...AND BEGIN AGAIN.


NOW GROUDON AND KYOGRE ARE HEADING FOR THE EXACT SPOT WHERE THEY FOUGHT EACH OTHER ONCE BEFORE!


GROUDON HAS PASSED THROUGH LILYCOVE CITY AND IT'S GETTING CLOSER TO THE SEA!
ROARING FLAMES BURST FROM THE GROUND EVERYTIME GROUDON TAKES A STEP...
...AND THE INTENSE HEAT GROUDON RADIATES IS CAUSING DROUGHT CONDITIONS WHEREVER IT GOES!
NOTHING CAN STOP ITS INFERNAL RAMPAGE!


MEAN-WHILE, KYOGRE HAS ALSO SET ITS COURSE!
IT'S USING DRIZZLE TO SUMMON IMMENSE RAIN-CLOUDS...
...AND USING THE TREMENDOUS WAVES CREATED BY THESE STORMS AS ITS PATHWAY!!


RMBL
RMBL
RMBL
RMBL
SLATEPORT CITY ...
HOPEFULLY OUR KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE WILL BE OF USE TO THEM AND HELP BRING THIS SITUATION UNDER CONTROL.
OKAY, LET'S GO!
KOFF KOFF
THERE IT IS, CAPTAIN STERN! THAT'S...!
RIGHT! BA-GOON, THE FLYING POKÉMON ASSOCIATION HEADQUARTERS !!
THERE'S SOMETHING WE WANT TO LOOK INTO...
WHAT?!
HERE, GABBY...
OKAY!
NO, CAPTAIN STERN... GABBY AND I WILL STAY BEHIND.
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?!
RMBL
RMBL
HEY, TY!!


TMP
AAH!
THERE IT IS!
SPLASH
ITS PRESENCE...?
DON'T YOU FEEL IT, GABBY?
I'VE BEEN SENSING ITS PRESENCE ALL—
ABSOL...
...THE DISASTER POKÉMON!
FFT
WAIT!
TMP
THAT'S RIGHT. THE SAME POKÉMON WHO APPEARED MOMENTARILY AT THE SCENE OF THE ACCIDENT IN RUSTURF TUNNEL.
YOU WERE AT MT. CHIMNEY WHEN ITS VOLCANIC ACTIVITY CAME TO A HALT, WEREN'T YOU?
LOOK, GABBY!
IT'S COVERED IN ASH FROM MT. CHIMNEY.
!!
DUST



AS A MATTER OF FACT... YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S DRAWING ALL THESE DISASTERS TO THE REGION, AREN'T YOU?
YOU APPEAR EVERY TIME SOMETHING BAD HAPPENS.
ARE **YOU** BEHIND THE NEFARIOUS ACTIVITIES OF TEAM AQUA AND TEAM MAGMA?!
HOLD ON, TY!
YOU WANT TO FIGHT? IS THAT IT?
I HAVE AN IDEA... I THINK MAYBE... SINCE LONG AGO, PEOPLE MAY HAVE BEEN MISUNDER-STANDING ABSOL...
ON THE CONTRARY... MAYBE ABSOL SENSES IMPENDING **DOOM**... AND APPEARS ...
...TO WARN PEOPLE ABOUT IT!
ABSOL APPEARS WHENEVER DISASTER STRIKES.
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN IT'S THE **CAUSE** OF THE DISASTER.


GET... ON? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE TELLING ME?
SHFF
...
...
!!
EXACTLY! THAT'S THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO!
HEY, TY! WHAT DO YOU THINK THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO IS?
HOW MUCH MORE DIRE COULD THIS SITUATION GET?
!!
IF KYOGRE AND GROUDON HAVE AN ALL-OUT BATTLE WITH EACH OTHER LIKE THEY DID IN ANCIENT TIMES...
...THEY COULD TEAR APART THE ENTIRE HOENN REGION!



WAIT, GABBY!! I'LL GO TOO!!
FWIP
TELL ME, ABSOL!! WILL THE TWO LEGENDARY POKÉMON FIGHT EACH OTHER?!
AND IF SO—WHERE?!
THEY'RE MOVIN' FAST!!
I KNEW IT! THEY'RE BEING DRAWN TO KYOGRE AND GROUDON!


HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH!
WE'LL GET SEPARATED!!
BEND
!!
RUBY!!
SAPPHIRE!!



ABSOL IS SO FAST! AND IT SEEMS TO KNOW EXACTLY WHERE IT'S GOING!
TY! CAN YOU PREDICT WHERE ABSOL IS HEADING?!
I'M TRY-ING !!
FWIP
FWIP
SPLASH
FOO
RUBY ?!
HEY, THAT'S ...
SAPPHIRE?!


WZZZZZZ
ABSOL IS HEADING STRAIGHT FOR...
GABBY, I'VE FIGURED IT OUT!
THOSE TWO ENERGY BALLS ARE FLYING IN THE SAME DIRECTION AS ABSOL!
THE CITY IN THE CRATER OF A VOLCANO ...
...THE MYSTICAL CITY WHERE HISTORY SLUMBERS.


... SOOTOPOLIS CITY.
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